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REPORTING OFFICE WMFO	OFFICE OF ORIGIN BUREAU	DATE 12/10/88	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 12/2-9/88
TITLE OF CASE JOHN GOODWIN TOWER		REPORT MADE BY SA [redacted]	TYPED BY WDE ^{b6} _{b7C}
		CHARACTER OF CASE SPECIAL INQUIRY (A)	

REFERENCE: Bureau telephone calls from SSA [redacted] SPIN Unit, on November 28, 1988, and December 8, 1988, and from SSA [redacted] on December 2, 1988; WMFO routing slips dated November 28, 1988, December 6, 1988, December 7, 1988, December 8, 1988, and December 9, 1988; Bureau routing slip dated November 29, 1988; Bureau teletypes dated December 2 and 5, 1988; Dallas facsimile of appointee interview dated December 3, 1988; WMFO teletype to Bureau and Dallas dated December 6, 1988, WMFO teletype to Houston, Knoxville, Los Angeles, New York, Philadelphia, San Diego and San Francisco dated December 6, 1988; and WMFO teletypes to Bureau dated December 8, 1988; and Los Angeles teletype to Bureau dated December 9, 1988.

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ADMINISTRATIVE: Where appropriate, all persons interviewed were advised of the provisions of the Privacy Act (e) (3), and promises of confidentiality were made where noted.

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Due to its length and the nature of the information contained therein, a copy of the "true name" draft FD-302 interview of [redacted] was b6 b7C b7D hand-carried to SSA [redacted] SPIN Unit, FBIHQ, on 12/7/88. WMFO is currently preparing a "T-symbol" FD-302 of this interview. This will be provided expeditiously.

A copy of the deposition of John G. Tower in the matter of "Lilla Burt Cummings Tower, Plaintiff, vs John Goodwin Tower, Defendant," taken in the Superior Court of the District of Columbia, Family Division, Domestic Relations Branch, Civil action 1403-86 will be submitted under separate cover.

Matters related to the information developed in the major case entitled "ILLWIND" has been transmitted to the Criminal Investigative Division, FBIHQ, under separate communication.

Referenced Los Angeles teletype to the Bureau, 12/9/88, requested WMFO to interview one [redacted] Rockwell International, Crystal City, Virginia, regarding the appointee. As WMFO has interviewed other personal associates with that organization, WMFO will not conduct the requested interview, UACB. b6 b7C

WMFO, upon interview of officials of the Office of the General Counsel, Federal Election Commission, received potentially contradictory information regarding the elements that could constitute a possible violation of the Federal Election Law statute. WMFO will resolve this possible discrepancy on 12/12/88 when FEC officials are expected to make themselves available for interview.

Due to the transfer of the responsible Investigative Assistant, the results of the U. S. Park Police checks will not be available until 12/12/88.

On 12/9/88, [redacted] a reporter for the New York Times, Washington Bureau, requested an interview with FBI personnel for the purpose of imparting information in his possession he believes pertinent to the current investigation. [redacted] will not be available for interview until 12/12/88. b6 b7C

On 12/8/88, SPIN Unit, FBIHQ, provided the names of six persons who, reportedly could provide pertinent information pursuant to this current inquiry. Investigation has determined that [redacted] is currently assigned to [redacted] while [redacted] is the [redacted] Preliminary investigation indicates that [redacted] is an employee of the [redacted] WMFO has interviewed [redacted] and [redacted] the results of which are contained in the details of this report. b6 b7C

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent (SA) [redacted] on December 3, 1988, regarding the appointee's ex-wife, LILLA BURT CUMMINGS TOWER:

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[redacted] home telephone number [redacted] advised that he is the principle physician for LILLA BURT CUMMINGS TOWER. When asked about Mrs. TOWER's ability to speak to the interviewing agent, [redacted] advised that he had some reservations about the length of the interviews, because Mrs. TOWER "wears quickly". [redacted] conferred with Mrs. TOWER and advised the interviewing agent that we had his permission to interview his patient, as long as we kept the interview to a reasonable length. He stated that if the interviews were to take a great length of time, he would appreciate if they were broken up into several visits.

When asked to comment on the mental state of Mrs. TOWER, [redacted] advised that she is "mentally astute and competent". [redacted] had no reservations whatsoever, about Mrs. TOWER's mental state. He advised that she was presently under no drugs or other medication that would have an adverse effect on her judgment or her mental state of mind. He advised that several months back, while she was in another hospital, she was being over medicated, and this, at that time, would have had an adverse effect on her mental state. As soon as she was moved to the Washington Hospital Center, her medication was greatly reduced, and she has been astute, since that time.

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[redacted] a Department of State Diplomatic Security Service Special Agent assigned to the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), and the former [redacted] [redacted] at the U.S. Department of State, telephone number [redacted] was advised that the following investigation was to resolve allegations that the appointee, JOHN GOODWIN TOWER, while U.S. Ambassador to the Arms Control and Disarmament Agency negotiations in Geneva, Switzerland, from March, 1985 to April, 1986, engaged in a sexual liaison with a foreign national, thereby possibly exposing him to coercion or blackmail. [redacted] provided the following information:

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[redacted] advised that he was the [redacted] during the 1985 through 1986 time frame. [redacted] advised that he recalled some allegations regarding JOHN TOWER, as the result of an investigation conducted by the Office of Special Investigations; (OSI), U.S. Air Force, involving an Air Force Colonel assigned to the Geneva Delegation. [redacted] advised that the CI Branch did no investigative work on the case, and that OSI would have been the investigative arm to handle the allegations. [redacted] said that he could not recall the nature of the allegations.

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LEADS

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Interview members of U.S. House of Representatives and
Senate as currently scheduled.

Interview [redacted] scheduled 12/12/88

Reinterview [redacted] scheduled 12/13/88.

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Report results of outstanding agency checks.

Attempt to locate and interview [redacted] and [redacted]
[redacted] (leads received at WMFO 12/9/88).

Report results of reinterview at FEC.

WMFO at Fredericksburg, Virginia.

Attempt to locate [redacted] (name provided to WMFO 12/9/88)

WMFO at Crystal City, Virginia.

Interview [redacted]

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Title: John Goodwin Tower

Character: Special Inquiry

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Synopsis:

White House Office records and OPF verified. State Department employment verified and OPF reviewed. Investigation at Department of State and at the Joint Chiefs of Staff, Department of Defense, unable to locate any cables concerning alleged extra-marital activities concerning the appointee. Interviews of [redacted]

[redacted] and [redacted] reveals all are aware of allegations of extra-marital activities concerning the appointee; but could not confirm. Arms Control and Disarmament Agency records disclosed that appointee granted a top secret clearance on February 12, 1985. [redacted]

[redacted] Office of Special Investigations, United States Air Force, and Naval Investigative Service negative regarding an investigation concerning the appointee. Affiliation with Pergamon Brassey's International Defense Publishers, Incorporated, British Aerospace, Incorporated, Hill and Knowlton, Hicks and Associates, Martin-Marietta, and Textron verified. Residence at Jefferson Hotel verified and one individual recommends. Appointee's [redacted] gave a qualified recommendation. One reference recommends. Nine former colleagues in the U. S. Senate and two in the House of Representatives recommend. One U. S. Representative gave a qualified recommendation and two Senators are unable to comment. Nineteen associates recommend. Membership in Metropolitan Club verified. Favorable comment solicited from American Security Council and Common Cause unable to comment. Favorable comment from The Heritage Foundation and one individual recommends. NAACP offered a limited comment and the National Urban League, National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives, and the Leadership Conference on Civil Rights had no knowledge of the appointee. Secretary of the Senate, U. S. Senate, verified appointee is a registered active lobbyist for six firms. Committee on Ethics, U. S. Senate, would not release file pertaining to appointee. Defense Contract Audit Agency records reflect that appointee's name has

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surfaced during the course of audits conducted by that agency and no derogatory information developed. Inspector General and Security negative at Departments of Defense and Education. Records checks at the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, Federal Reserve Board, Comptroller of the Currency and the Federal Election Commission negative. United States Attorney's Office, Washington, D. C., negative. Public Integrity Section, Department of Justice, reveals information regarding the appointee only on an index card.

Divorce verified. Office of Professional Responsibility, Department of Justice, negative. United States Secret Service negative. Credit reveals an account with Garfinkle's rated R-9 and an account with Nieman-Marcus in a "dispute-resolution pending" status. Garfinkle's reports account to paid. Appointee interviewed.

WHITE HOUSE

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WHITE HOUSE

On December 5, 1988, Special Agent (SA) [REDACTED] checked the records of the Executive Clerks Office, The White House Office, and determined that the following records were located therein regarding the appointee, JOHN TOWER:

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On March 5, 1985, TOWER was confirmed as Ambassador during his tenure of service as United States Negotiator on Strategic Nuclear Arms.

On December 1, 1986, TOWER was designated as Chairman of the President's Special Review Board. This Review Board was installed on December 1, 1986, their final report was submitted to the President on February 26, 1987, and the Board was in existence until March 28, 1987, when it was disbanded.

On November 10, 1987, TOWER was commissioned as a member of the President's Foreign Intelligence Advisory Board.

No further records concerning TOWER were located in the Executive Clerk's Office.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent [redacted] on December 8, 1988, at Washington, D.C., regarding the appointee, JOHN GOODWIN TOWER:

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[redacted] Member, President's Foreign Intelligence Advisory Board, advised that he has known the appointee for approximately twelve (12) years. The association has been almost exclusively professional in nature, although they have socialized in conjunction with business. He emphasized that their association has been invariably associated with the business of national security. He characterized the appointee as intelligent, able, serious, and experienced. [redacted] added that the appointee's competency and loyalty to the United States, are without question.

[redacted] stated that he had no reason to question the character, associates or reputation of the appointee. The appointee was never known to have used illegal drugs, nor to have abused alcohol. [redacted] added that he has never seen the appointee drink more than a glass of wine. He stated that the appointee certainly appears to live within his means, financially, and has shown no signs of emotional or psychological instability.

[redacted] stated that he has never witnessed any indiscretion or signs of impropriety by either the appointee, or his wife, and further stated that both had always displayed exemplary behavior.

[redacted] stated that he does not know the appointee well enough to know if he has been "super careful" regarding potential conflicts of interests. However, he does not perceive that the appointee is, or has been, involved in any genuine conflicts of interest.

[redacted] had no knowledge of the appointee's campaigns or his usage of campaign funds, nor was he familiar with the appointee's involvement in the banking industry.

The appointee was never known to associate with any groups which may be considered adverse to the American way of

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government, or any radical groups. [] never witnessed any display of prejudice or bias by the appointee.

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[] without reservation, highly recommended the appointee for the position of Secretary of Defense of The United States, stating that he will serve the President and the country well.

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U.S. Department of State
Washington, D. C.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent (SA) [redacted] regarding the appointee, JOHN GOODWIN TOWER. Referral/Consult

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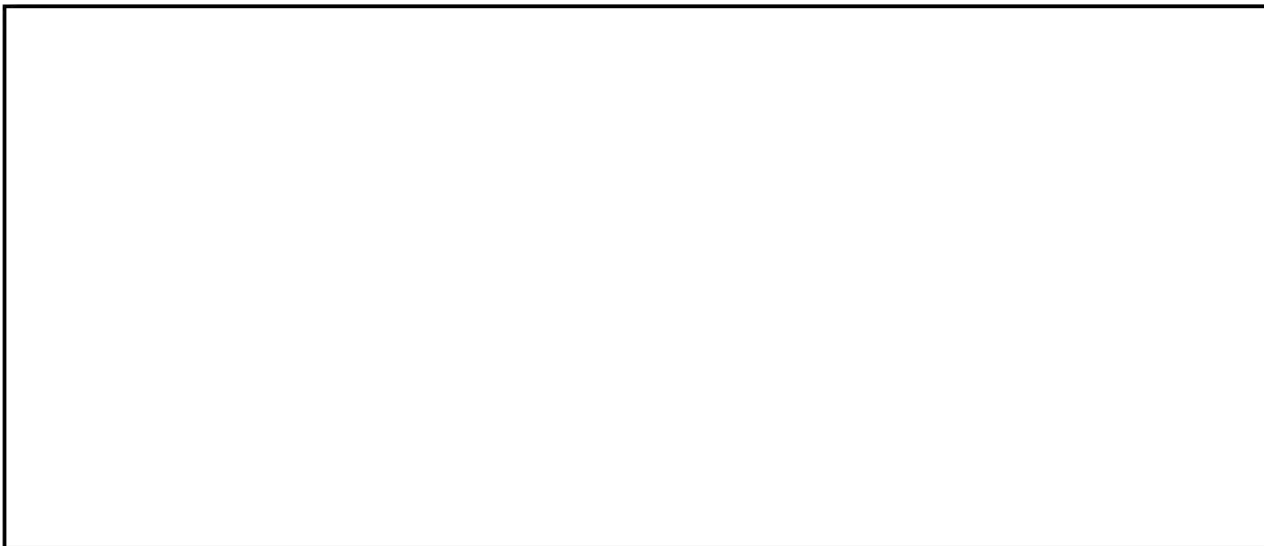
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Washington, D.C.

The following investigation was conducted between
November 28 and November 30, 1988, by Special Agent (SA) [redacted]

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[redacted] The purpose of the following investigation was to
resolve allegations that the appointee, JOHN GOODWIN TOWER, while
a U.S. Ambassador to the Arms Control and Disarmament Agency
negotiations in Geneva, Switzerland, from March, 1985 to April,
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[redacted] advised that he knew of the rumor involving the above stated allegations, but his recollection of the rumor was that the liaison was with a member of the U.S. Delegation, and not a foreign national. [redacted] further advised that he never saw any written communication regarding the nature of the above stated allegations. [redacted] said that he could not provide any additional information.

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1986, engaged in a sexual liaison with a foreign national,
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provided the following information:

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[redacted]
[redacted] phone number [redacted]
[redacted] was interviewed regarding allegations made against former Senator, JOHN G. TOWER. The allegations suggested that TOWER may have had a sexual liaison with a foreign national, during his tenure as a negotiator, for the Arms Control and Disarmament Agency (ACDA). TOWER was assigned to ACDA in Geneva, Switzerland, between February, 1985 and February, 1986.
[redacted] provided the following information regarding the allegations.

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[redacted] telephone number [redacted] from [redacted]
[redacted]

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ASSOCIATES

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent (SA) [redacted] and SA [redacted] regarding the appointee, JOHN GOODWIN TOWER: b6 per b7C FBI

[redacted]
[redacted] advised on December 8, 1988, that his introduction to the appointee was when the interviewee came to Washington, D.C., as a [redacted] meeting the appointee in a meeting in late 1975. By early 1976, the interviewee began to work [redacted]
[redacted]

[redacted] characterized the appointee as "a great statesman, a quiet man, very intelligent, (and as) one of the great unsung heroes." When asked to comment upon the appointee's reputation in the workplace, [redacted] responded that among the population as a whole, there seems to be some difference of opinion, but among those who worked with him, many were struck by the fact that he was a good leader but interested in the market place of ideas, actively soliciting the ideas of others.

The interviewee recommends the appointee "absolutely" with respect to his character and loyalty, as well as to his associates. He believes the appointee to be "very" emotionally stable, and is unaware of any episode of depression experienced by the appointee. He mentioned that in 1985, at the START talks in Geneva, the interviewee became the appointee's Deputy, becoming the "closest confidante" the appointee had in Geneva, thus he is in a position to comment upon the appointee's emotional state.

He believes the appointee to be financially stable and has never known the him to abuse alcohol, prescription drugs, or use illegal drugs.

When asked as to whether he was aware of any contact with foreigners or foreign nationals on the appointee's part, which caused him any kind of concern in national security sense, [redacted] related that the appointee is well known to many throughout the world, and the interviewee is aware of no contacts

which he considers to be out of the ordinary for a man of the appointee's stature.

He knows of no radical or adverse political associations on the appointee's part and believes the appointee would have no problems in continuing to deal effectively with sensitive information. When asked as to whether he had ever been approached by anyone in Geneva regarding the appointee's susceptibility to entrapment by the Soviets because of his life-style, [] responded in the negative. When asked as to whether he had ever been approached by the appointee's second wife, LILLA CUMMINGS TOWER, regarding the appointee's fitness as a negotiator, he responded that she had approached him at one point because she felt the appointee did not understand how vital she was to his mission. [] denied that he was ever approached by LILLA TOWER regarding issues of womanizing or susceptibility to entrapment by the Soviets. She did mention to the interviewee, that she was afraid the appointee, was becoming depressed and drinking excessively. [] advised her that he would watch the appointee, but never saw any evidence of it.

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The interviewee knows of no derogatory information concerning the appointee and is likewise unaware of any criminal activities in the appointee's past. He is similarly unaware of any aspect of the appointee's past that would render him susceptible to any kind of a coercive effort.

When advised that it had been suggested in some corners that the appointee was having an affair with [] the interviewee advised that the person in question, []

[] going on to mention that she was a hard worker as well as intelligent. He personally knows [] as well as [] characterizing [] as well as devoted []

When asked as to whether he was aware of any conflict of interest experienced by the appointee, [] related that the appointee is indeed on the Board of Directors of a number of Defense-Related Firms, but this is not unusual given the appointee's background and expertise. The interviewee knows of no sexual indiscretions, excessive use of alcohol, mental incapacities, illegal activities in the banking industry, nor illegal campaign contributions of the appointee.

When asked as to whether he was in a position to comment upon the appointee's interaction with his own family,

[redacted] advised that regarding the appointee's [redacted] "its clear that they are very close to [redacted] related that "TOWER was a very private man about his private life, and was very protective of Mrs. TOWER." Regarding Mrs. TOWER, the interviewee's comment was "I don't know the details of her life, but she was very unstable." b6 b7C

The interviewee "absolutely" recommends the appointee for a position of trust and confidence with the United States Government. *

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[redacted]
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[redacted] after being advised of the identities of the interviewing Agents, and the nature of the interview, provided the following information:

She recalls her introduction to the appointee as having been when she was working for [redacted] on Capitol Hill, specifically for the Senate Armed Services Committee, this event taking place in 1979. [redacted]
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[redacted]

[redacted] at the
START talk in Geneva, Switzerland.

When asked to characterize the appointee, [redacted] responded "He's very well respected, has a reputation for women and so do a lot of people," going on to mention that she believes the appointee's reputation in this regard to be "undeserved, (but) not totally untrue." She did mention that, to her knowledge, these activities did not interfere with his work. When asked as to whether she was aware of any work-related problems experienced by the appointee, she responded "absolutely not," going on to mention that he "butted heads with a lot of people," but "nothing extraordinary."

She recommends the appointee with the respect to his character and loyalty, as well as to his associates, both in Texas as well as Washington, D.C.

She believes the appointee to be emotionally stable and has no knowledge of any bouts of depression experienced by the appointee, mentioning "I've seen him down, but not a state of depression." Regarding his financial stability, she has no personal knowledge, having been out of his employment for a year's time, but mentioned that she is "good friends" with the appointee's [redacted] who has not mentioned anything in this regard.

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When asked as to whether she was aware of any abuse of alcohol, prescription drugs or use or sale of illegal drugs, she responded that the appointee "doesn't abuse alcohol, he drinks socially like the rest of us; smokes a lot of cigarettes, that's it." She has no knowledge of any prescription drug abuse or use or sale of illegal drugs by the appointee.

When asked as to whether she was aware of any contacts with foreigners or foreign nationals on the appointee's part which would be considered unusual, she mentioned, "he has lots of friends at NATO" and has worked with the Soviets at NATO. She is however, aware of no contacts that were not professional in nature or at formal gatherings. She knows of no radical or adverse political associations on the appointee's part and believes that he would have no problems in dealing effectively with sensitive information, "even after a couple of drinks," going on to mention that "he never talks work and drinks at the same time."

The interviewee is aware of no substantive derogatory information concerning the appointee, commenting that she has heard rumors regarding, for example, alcohol and womanizing, going on to mention of the latter "I believe it was probably true, but I never witnessed it." She is aware of no aspect of the appointee's past that would render him susceptible to any kind of a coercive effort.

When asked as to whether she was in a position to comment upon the appointee's interaction with his own family, she responded that the appointee gets along "very well" with [redacted] commenting [redacted] love him." Regarding the appointee's first wife, she is aware that she is "still fond of him," mentioning that the two "get along." Regarding the appointee's second wife, LILLA CUMMINGS TOWER, the interviewee advised "she's a raving lunatic, start to finish, as long as I've known her." She continued "I never met anyone (else) like that in my life."

When asked as to whether she was aware of any instances that female members of the United States Delegation were directed toward male members of the Soviet Delegation, while in the Geneva, Switzerland, she responded in the negative. When asked as to whether Senator TOWER had ever made a request of this

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nature of her, she again responded in a negative, commenting that the appointee did not even talk to the [redacted] besides [redacted]

When asked as to whether she was aware of any liaison between the appointee and [redacted] responded "never even thought of it, I can't imagine TOWER even looking at her that way." To her knowledge, the appointee was never [redacted] and commented "he wouldn't have seen her anywhere else."

When asked as to whether she was aware of any contact between the appointee and any female members of the Soviet Delegation, she responded that there was one female Soviet interpreter, whose name she does not recall, whom the "guys use to talk about how good her legs looked that day." To her knowledge, the appointee had no personal contact with that female Soviet Interpreter.

When asked as to whether she was aware any excessive alcohol consumption by the appointee, she responded that "TOWER likes to play poker," clarifying this by saying that usually once per round of negotiations, the whole United States Delegation would get together for a social poker game, on the order of 20 to 30 people involved. She mentioned that the appointee would occasionally stay as late as two to three o'clock in the morning, commenting "Mrs. TOWER wouldn't let him stay out later than that." On these occasions, she has never known the appointee to drink more than two martinis, has seen him drink no other liquor, and commented "I've never seen him even tipsy."

The interviewee has no knowledge of any mental incapacities, potential conflicts of interest, illegal campaign contributions, nor illegal activities in the banking industry, as they relate to the appointee.

She "absolutely" recommends the appointee for a position of trust and confidence with the United States government.

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[redacted] telephone number [redacted] was interviewed to provide background information regarding the investigation of Senator JOHN GOODWIN TOWER. [redacted] provided the following information:

[redacted] advised that he worked [redacted] the U.S. Mission in Geneva, Switzerland. [redacted] advised that he was [redacted] U.S. Delegation to the Strategic Arms Nuclear Reduction Talks (START). [redacted] advised that Senator TOWER was the Chief negotiator for the START talks, [redacted]

[redacted] advised that he had no firsthand knowledge regarding sexual liaisons between Senator TOWER, American women, foreign nationals, or Soviets. [redacted] advised however, that there was a rumor that he was "attracted to [redacted] [redacted] said that he did see Senator TOWER and [redacted] in public frequently, but that he never personally saw any inappropriate behavior. [redacted] advised that he was aware that Senator TOWER and [redacted] on official business. [redacted] went on to say that the rumor about Senator TOWER was that he was very interested in [redacted] emphasized that he was unaware of any additional rumors regarding any other persons other than [redacted] advised that many of TOWER's staff members were young attractive women, and that that may have been the source of the allegations and the rumors. [redacted] said that Senator TOWER was always extremely security conscious, and that he never saw Senator TOWER engaging in any indiscreet behavior of any kind.

[redacted] advised that he never saw Senator TOWER using alcohol to excess. [redacted] advised that he did see TOWER drinking on occasion, but he would describe Senator TOWER's drinking as "moderate." [redacted] said that in his opinion, Senator TOWER did not have an alcohol problem, and that he would trust TOWER with any sensitive information.

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_____ advised that he was unaware of any firsthand, hearsay, or rumor information regarding any mental incapacities experienced by JOHN TOWER. In his opinion, _____ said that JOHN TOWER's behavior was always "above reproach."

_____ advised that he had no firsthand, hearsay, or rumor information regarding any conflict of interest matters involving Senator TOWER.

_____ said that he had no firsthand, hearsay, or rumor information regarding any illegal campaign contributions or expenditures. _____ added by saying that he did not know Senator TOWER prior to his tenure at the U.S. Mission in Geneva, and would logically have no information regarding TOWER's Senate career.

_____ advised that he had no firsthand, hearsay, or rumor information regarding any banking issues, legal, illegal, or otherwise.

_____ went on to describe the appointee, JOHN TOWER, as a man who listened well, and who offered staff members and colleagues opportunities to voice their opinions. _____ said that TOWER was a good decision maker, and that he frequently based his decisions on the opinions and advice of others.

_____ said that TOWER was a very friendly man and very serious, hard-working and conscientious. _____ advised that in his opinion, he is a very impressive man to the Soviet Delegation, with which the U.S. Delegation worked closely.

_____ advised that he never had a reason to question JOHN TOWER's character, associates, reputation or loyalty as a good American. _____ said that he neither knew nor suspected illegal drug usage, alcohol abuse, personal, financial or mental instability, nor did he believe JOHN TOWER to live beyond his financial means. _____ advised that at no time did he believe the appointee ever harbored or displayed bias or prejudice against any group of persons for any reason.

_____ advised that he would be glad to recommend Senator JOHN TOWER for any position of trust and confidence with the U.S. Government.

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[redacted]
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[redacted] phone number [redacted] was interviewed to provide information regarding the background investigation of JOHN GOODWIN TOWER. [redacted] provided the following information:

[redacted]
[redacted] JOHN TOWER was the Chief U.S. Negotiator for the START talks, [redacted]

[redacted] advised that he had no firsthand knowledge of any sexual liaisons between TOWER and any women, to include Americans, foreign nationals or Soviets. [redacted] advised that JOHN TOWER arrived in Geneva, Switzerland with a reputation as a "ladies man". [redacted] advised however, that he never saw JOHN TOWER with any other women, other than TOWER's wife. [redacted] further advised that the only rumors he would have been aware of dealt with TOWER's marital problems.

[redacted] advised that he never saw evidence, nor did he hear rumors of excessive alcohol consumption by JOHN TOWER. [redacted] went on to say that he saw JOHN TOWER at many parties, and that he never saw him drink to excess. In view of that, Doctor [redacted] advised that he never believed JOHN TOWER to be a security risk in regard to excessive use of alcohol.

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[] advised that he believed that JOHN TOWER's wife was a "bad actor" regarding the TOWER marriage, and he went on to say that TOWER's wife made a "terrible impression" upon the U.S. Delegation to the U.S. Mission in Geneva. [] advised that he is personally sympathetic towards TOWER because of TOWER's wife. [] advised that he was aware that TOWER's wife left Geneva and returned later, and that at that time, JOHN TOWER elected to move from the house assigned to him and into an apartment. [] said that he would have assumed JOHN TOWER to be undergoing some stress during this marital period, but he never saw evidence of that stress during TOWER's duties at the U.S. Mission.

[] advised that he had no firsthand, hearsay, or rumor information regarding any conflict of interest involving JOHN TOWER. [] went on to say that he was aware that TOWER has been doing very well lately in the private sector but he said that he knew of no illegal actions conducted by TOWER.

[] advised that he had no firsthand, hearsay, or rumor information regarding any illegal campaign contributions or expenditures.

[] advised that he had no firsthand, hearsay, or rumor information regarding any inappropriate banking matters.

[] advised that he knew JOHN TOWER only in a professional sense for the approximately one year that he and TOWER were assigned to the U.S. Mission in Geneva. [] personal opinion of TOWER was that he respected him greatly, and that he was a hard-line negotiator and a very bright man as well. [] advised that JOHN TOWER ran the meetings well, and that those meetings were always held in a very democratic and fair environment. [] advised that he believed the Soviet Delegation was highly impressed with JOHN TOWER in view of TOWER's reputation and serious demeanor. [] advised that the only personal note he would make regarding JOHN TOWER's negotiating abilities, was that he believed TOWER did not push hard enough on certain issues. [] advised however, that he was not aware of the protocol for the political implications of all of the meetings, and that it very well may have been TOWER's instructions to "not push".

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[REDACTED] went on to describe JOHN TOWER at a typical "Texan", and that he was not a particularly religious man. [REDACTED] advised however that he believed JOHN TOWER to be very trustworthy and patriotic. [REDACTED] advised that TOWER enjoyed dealing with persons of influence and wealth, but he added that he was unaware of any financial improprieties or any reason to believe JOHN TOWER lived beyond his financial means.

[REDACTED] said that he would never question JOHN TOWER's character, associates, reputation or loyalties with Americans. [REDACTED] said that he was unaware nor did he suspect illegal drug usage. [REDACTED] said that he never knew JOHN TOWER to harbor or display any bias or prejudice against any group of persons for any reason. [REDACTED] said that he would be glad to recommend JOHN TOWER for any position of trust and confidence with the U.S. Government. *

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[redacted]
[redacted] telephone [redacted] was
advised of the identities of the interviewing agents and that the
nature of the interview was to provide background investigation
regarding Senator JOHN GOODWIN TOWER. [redacted] thereafter
provided the following information:

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He has known TOWER for approximately three years,
mostly on a professional level. He met TOWER when he (TOWER) was
the Negotiator for the Strategic Nuclear Arms Reduction Talks
(START) in Geneva, Switzerland. [redacted] advised that he
[redacted]
[redacted]

[redacted] was [redacted]
During his residence in [redacted] TOWER and [redacted] whom
he was travelling with en route to NATO Headquarters, stopped
overnight in London. [redacted]
[redacted] at his residence. [redacted] advised that there
was a mutual fondness between TOWER and [redacted] but never in his
presence did they demonstrate inappropriate behavior.

[redacted] advised that [redacted]
[redacted] To the best of his
recollection, two rooms were booked for TOWER and [redacted]

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[] advised that he had no firsthand knowledge or hearsay information of any sexual indiscretions by TOWER with any Soviets or foreign nationals. He heard rumors that TOWER was "fooling around" with women while in Geneva, but he has no information which could substantiate these rumors.

[] advised that TOWER drank on occasion, but that he never saw him drink excessively. He stated that it was rumored that TOWER drank heavily, but that he had no firsthand information to support these rumors.

[] stated that TOWER never demonstrated any mental incapacities while in Geneva, even though he was under stress from his impending divorce. He stated that TOWER exercised good judgment regarding security matters.

[] had no knowledge of any matters which would represent a conflict of interest by TOWER. He knew of no illegal campaign contributions or expenditures by TOWER. He has no information nor has he heard any information regarding TOWER's involvement in any banking institutions.

[] never knew TOWER to use or sell narcotics or abuse alcohol. He stated TOWER never demonstrated any bias or prejudice toward any individual or group because of race, nationality or religious beliefs.

[] considers TOWER to be a serious politician and stated he (TOWER) was very committed to his job as negotiator at the Geneva Talks. He stated that TOWER is a tough task master but is easygoing and gets along well with his staff.

[] advised that he has no reason to believe that TOWER would ever show disloyalty toward the U.S. Government and that TOWER has strong beliefs about national security issues.

[] described TOWER as flamboyant and free-wheeling, leading a lively personal life. He expanded on this by saying that TOWER liked "the finer things of life" such as expensive suits and fine dinners.

[] recommends TOWER for a position of trust and confidence with the U.S. Government. *

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[redacted]
[redacted] was advised of the identity of the interviewing agents and the nature of the interview; the background investigation of JOHN GOODWIN TOWER. He thereafter provided the following information:

He first met TOWER in the fall of 1984 [redacted] when TOWER was the Chief Negotiator at the START talks. [redacted] advised that he was a representative for the Secretary of Defense at the START talks in Geneva, Switzerland.

[redacted] advised that he knew TOWER on both a professional and social level. He stated that he had no knowledge, first hand or hearsay, of any sexual indiscretions by TOWER, other than what he has recently read in the newspapers. He said that TOWER drank at social functions, but that he never saw him impaired as a result of excessive drinking.

[redacted] believed TOWER to be under stress while in Geneva, because he was having marital problems. He stated that TOWER's wife, LILLA, was a "disruptive influence" at the mission. Several members of the support staff had difficulty getting along with Mrs. TOWER as she was demanding and hard to please. This stress, however, did not prevent TOWER from conducting his duties in a responsible manner. [redacted] had no knowledge of any contacts or connections by TOWER that would cause a conflict of interest. [redacted] further stated that he had no first hand or hearsay information regarding any illegal campaign contributions or expenditures by TOWER. He could provide no information regarding TOWER'S connection with any banking or financial institutions that had failed.

[redacted] advised that [redacted] to TOWER, may have more knowledge of TOWER's financial matters.

[redacted] described TOWER as sincere, direct, non-demanding and confident in his ability as a negotiator at the START talks. He has no reason to question TOWER's character, associates or loyalty to the United States. He said that TOWER enjoyed a good reputation at Geneva. He has never known TOWER

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to use or sell narcotics or abuse alcohol. He stated TOWER never displayed any bias or prejudice toward any individual or group because of race, nationality or religious beliefs. He observed TOWER to live within his means. [] has no reservations about recommending JOHN TOWER for a position of trust and confidence with the United States Government.

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[redacted]
residing at [redacted] phone
number [redacted] was interviewed to provide information
regarding the background investigation of former Senator JOHN
GOODWIN TOWER [redacted]

[redacted]
[redacted] provided the
following information.

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JOHN TOWER ASSOCIATES

The following interview was conducted by Special Agent (SA) [redacted] on December 8, 1988:

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[redacted] JOHN TOWER Associates, 2101 L Street, Northwest, Washington, D.C., advised he has known JOHN TOWER on a professional basis since 1981. At that time [redacted] and had dealings with Senator TOWER in connection with [redacted]. During Fall of 1982, [redacted] became an [redacted] with the [redacted] and again continued dealing with TOWER in connection with [redacted] until January, 1985, when TOWER left the United States Senate. [redacted]

[redacted] described the appointee as a person who has a long range view on questions and is very long term oriented. As a result, he is able to look beyond the day-to-day problems and short range goals. His thinking is always crisp and clear, in [redacted] opinion. He described TOWER as possessing the highest character and advised that he is not aware of anything negative concerning him personally. He has never seen nor has he ever hear of any irregularities on the appointee's part. He considers the appointee to be very patriotic and noted that TOWER has often put his own personal interests aside to serve his country. As an example, [redacted] noted the appointee's service on the "TOWER Commission". He has always considered TOWER to possess a high degree of personal integrity. He has never known the appointee to be arrogant or overbearing, although he did note that TOWER is a tough negotiator. One facet of the appointee's personality which particularly pleases [redacted] is TOWER's ability to remain calm and patient in dealing with others. He always seems able to deal with people on their own level.

[redacted] has never seen abuse of alcohol on the appointee's part. The most he has ever seen TOWER consume is two martinis on one occasion at a meal setting. [redacted] noted that this includes the time during 1983 and 1984, when he was working quite closely with TOWER. He has never known the appointee to use illegal drugs. [redacted] considers the appointee to be financially stable, and noted that TOWER has not become a wealthy man as a result of his service to his country. He has never seen any signs of prejudice on the appointee's part toward any racial, religious, or ethnic groups. [redacted] noted that the appointee has reached out often over the years to the Hispanics, particularly in his native Texas. [redacted] has never questioned the appointee's loyalty to this country and has always known him to properly handle sensitive information.

[redacted] stated that he is well aware of allegations

which have been made in the media concerning TOWER. He speculated that many of these allegations were caused by people who misread innocent actions on the appointee's part. As an example, [] noted that if Senator TOWER see's an attractive woman, he may possibly look and watch her. Others seeing this, might get the wrong idea. He further speculated that a person seeing TOWER having a single drink might well assume that he had been drinking too much. [] repeated that he had never seen TOWER abusing alcohol or having had too much to drink. b6 b7C

[] has never become aware of any present or potential conflicts of interests on the appointee's part. He is well aware of the fact that former Senator TOWER plans to cancel his company's services to businesses which might prove to be a conflict or interest as soon as he is nominated for a position with the federal government. [] speculated that the appointee would, if anything, "bend over backwards" to avoid helping any of these firms in the future, should he become Defense Secretary. [] advised that he has known TOWER since 1981 and has never, seen a single incident of TOWER "womanizing". He has never seen any indication of mental incapacities on the appointee's part. [] stated that he has no personal knowledge of any campaign finance irregularities. He did review the records of the TOWER Senate Club expenses and did not see any signs of violations of the law in that regard. In connection with the appointee's banking and finance investments, [] advised that all of the appointee's proposals and investments have been legal and proper. None of TOWER's activities in connection with the First Republic Bank reflect adversely on him to any extent.

[] advised that he would recommend the appointee for a position of confidence and trust. *

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[redacted] JOHN TOWER Associates, 2101 L Street, Northwest, Washington, D.C., advised that she has known former Senator JOHN TOWER since October, 1983, when [redacted]

Speaking of the appointee's professional ability and reputation, she stated that he enjoys an outstanding professional reputation and has an excellent professional ability. He is very fair and treats all people as equals. She considers him a friend and working for him is a pleasure. Speaking of the appointee personally, she has found him to be a very caring, helpful, extremely articulate person. Summarizing her comments concerning TOWER, she called him "a good person."

[redacted] stated that she knows nothing negative concerning the appointee personally, nothing which reflects adversely on his character or interferes with his work. She is well aware of the fact that he does take an occasional drink of alcohol, but she has never seen him drink to excess. In her opinion, he does not abuse alcohol. She has never seen him using any illegal drugs. She considers him to be a financially responsible and proper individual and certainly stays within his own financial limits. She has always known him to be careful in handling sensitive or classified information, both in the United States Senate and in Geneva, Switzerland. She has never known him to misuse clearances or to let alcohol influence his careful handling of this information. He is certainly a loyal American and she has never seen any indication that he holds prejudices towards any racial, religious, or ethnic groups.

[redacted] stated that she is well aware of allegations made about former Senator TOWER in the media. Concerning allegations of "womanizing", she stated that she has never seen either first or heard second hand of any such behavior by TOWER. She noted that he does have many female friends, but she has never seen him go beyond a professional and ethical approach and attitude toward them. In addition, he has certainly never approached her in any improper manner. She has never known him

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to make improper advances towards any member of his office staff either here in Washington or overseas. [REDACTED] stated that she is well aware of allegations involving the former Senator and [REDACTED] in Geneva. [REDACTED] stated that she does not believe that the Senator was ever alone for any extended period of time with this [REDACTED] in the villa. She believes that Mrs. TOWER was almost always in Geneva with former Senator TOWER. In addition, based on her knowledge of TOWER and [REDACTED] she does not believe these rumors are true. She has never known of any instances where TOWER was mentally incapable of handling his responsibilities for any reason. She is not aware of any present or potential conflicts of interest and she noted that TOWER has always been careful and sensitive to the possibility of conflicts of interest and has tried his best to avoid them. [REDACTED] stated she is unable to comment on any allegations concerning campaign financing or TOWER's activities in the field of banking.

[REDACTED] stated that she would recommend the appointee for a position of confidence and trust. *

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[redacted] John Tower Associates, Incorporated, 2101 L. Street NW, Washington D. C. advised that she has known former Senator JOHN TOWER on a professional basis since she first met him approximately May, 1985 in connection with his assignment to the second round of START talks. At that time, [redacted] served as the [redacted]. She recalled that TOWER served as the Ambassador or the head of the U. S. Delegation to these talks from approximately March, 1985 to June, 1986. Although she was originally due to work [redacted]

[redacted] She explained that she and TOWER developed "a tremendous intellectual synergy". [redacted] at that time, and he liked [redacted]. Although she was detailed to the [redacted] during the period December 1986 until February, 1987, she returned to the [redacted] during February and stayed there until May of 1987. During May of 1987, [redacted]

Speaking of the appointee's professional ability, [redacted] stated that she has developed enormous respect for him and he has taught her a great deal. [redacted] stated that TOWER is the best boss she has ever had, and he is particularly unusual because despite the strong and thorough opinion which he holds he is capable of listening to those who work for him and accepting their conclusions if the arguments are properly grounded. In addition, he possesses a great, open mind and enormous integrity, in [redacted] opinion.

Speaking of the appointee socially, [redacted] advised that he is a complete gentleman and has always displayed "great self containment". He has always displayed very careful and proper manners. She stated that she has [redacted] for many years and has seen him in a wide variety of social situations. In each case, he has carried very well and has always remained articulate. She is aware of the fact that he does occasionally drink alcohol, almost exclusively drinking

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white wine during dinners. In addition, he occasionally has a drink of port after dinner. On a very rare occasion has been known to drink martini. However, she has never seen him inebriated and has never even seen him "slightly tipsy". She has never seen his demeanor change because of any use of alcohol. She has never know him to ever use illegal drugs and considers him to be financially responsible. She has no question about his loyalty to this country. Concerning the appointees handling of sensitive information, [] stated that she has always know TOWER to be careful and proper in handling such information. She has never known him to make any unauthorized disclosure of classified information. [] stated that she does not know of any prejudices which the appointee might hold toward any racial, religious, or ethnic groups. To the contrary, he has been quite active in his native Texas in assisting the hispanic population.

[] was advise that there had been numerous allegations made concerning TOWER in the media. She was asked to comment on allegation of sexual impropriety concerning the appointee. She stated that she has had a very close working relationship with TOWER over several years. She is a single female and is a close friend of his. She stated that he has never made an advance toward her. She stated that she has never had a personal relationship with Senator TOWER. [] advised that she is aware of allegation that the appointee had a relationship with [] knows [] well and described as "the cutest, roundest sweet thing". She further advised that [] is an employee of the Arms Control and Disarmament Agency and is the type of person she could not imagine having a relationship with SENATOR TOWER. She never saw any basis in fact to lead her to believe that this allegation was true. She is also aware of allegations that SENATOR TOWER was seeing [] before he was separated from his wife. [] stated that she knows [] and to the best of her knowledge she never knew TOWER [] before he was separated.

[] speculated that most of these allegations are coming from the former MRS. TOWER, who she described as "the wackiest lady I've ever met".

[] stated that she has never known the appointee to be mentally incapable of handling his responsibilities for any reason what so ever.

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Concerning allegations of possible conflicts of interest, [] stated that she is well aware of the Tower Company policy at the present time and stated that he does not take on any client or project which he does not firmly believe is good for this country. She stated that all of her relationships with these companies are contractual and specific and that there are no percentages or investments in these companies. As a result, when the contract with a company ends, all dealing and relationships with that company end cleanly without any remaining interest. She does not see how this arrangement could possibly lead to a conflict of interest.

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[] advised that she does not have any knowledge of campaign contributions or banking matters which might reflect adversely on the appointee.

[] advise that she recalls [] was one of the secretaries assigned to the START talks. As a secretary, her duties would normally have been those ordinarily associated with a secretary. On very rare occasions, [] made it a point to allow secretaries and other clerical staff to visit the actual talks and witness the process conducted by the United States and Soviet delegation. However, this would only have been once or possibly twice during each eight week talk session.

[] encouraged this occasional visit in order to give the clerical staff a greater sense of participation in the work of the delegation. The only other contact which [] would have had with the actual delegates, particularly those of the Soviet delegation, would have been instances where she served in a very formal capacity, opening the door for the delegation or other similar strict social situations. [] advise that she is not aware of any allegation involving [] and either the United States or the Soviet delegation.

[] advised that she would recommend the appointee for a position of trust and confidence.

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[redacted] Dickstein, Shapiro and Morin, 2101 L Street, Northwest, Washington, D.C., advised that he has known former Senator JOHN TOWER on a professional basis since October, 1986. [redacted]

[redacted] described the appointee as a very ethical man, one with great poise and one who is very sensitive. He observed that TOWER handles pressure in a very positive, organized manner. In addition, [redacted] is "incredibly impressed with that man's integrity." In [redacted] opinion, the appointee was forced to extricate himself from the marriage because his former wife was very difficult to deal with. He feels the appointee was willing to leave her quite well off financially, and he does not believe the divorce or any of the proceedings reflect adversely on TOWER. He believes that the divorce between Mr. and Mrs. TOWER was greatly complicated by TOWER having been named to head the Special Review Board (TOWER Commission) because Mrs. TOWER saw this as an opportunity to greatly increase the property settlement based upon TOWER's increase in speaking fee's, etcetera. This in turn made negotiations much more difficult and unnecessarily extended this already difficult process.

[redacted] has not had much social contact with the appointee, outside of one Christmas party which the appointee gave. He found TOWER to be a very gracious host and a warm, outgoing person. [redacted] has never seen the appointee take a single drink of alcohol, and cannot comment on his use of alcohol. He has never seen any indication that the appointee uses illegal drugs. He has every reason to believe the appointee is financially responsible and does not believe he holds any prejudices towards racial, religious, or ethnic groups. He considers the appointee to be a loyal American and believes that he has clearly been responsible in his handling of sensitive information. [redacted] advised that he would recommend the appointee for a position of confidence and trust. *

[redacted] advised that he is aware of many allegations concerning the appointee. However, because of his limited association with TOWER both in time and scope, he is not able to make any comments concerning any of these allegations. However, in a general sense, he has never seen any indication that any of them are true.

The above investigation was conducted by SA [redacted]
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Office of Public Records
232 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C.

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[redacted] telephone number [redacted] reviewed his files and advised the appointee is a current and active lobbyist for the following companies:

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TOWER & Associates
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British Aerospace Incorporated
HICK & Associates
LTV Defense & Space Company
Martin Marietta Corporation
Rockwell International
Texton, Incorporated

The following company is considered an inactive account regarding the appointee and his lobbying activities:

REGISTRANT

CLIENT

TOWER & Associates

JEFORD-MCMANUS International
Incorporated

No further information could be ascertained from DAVIS' file.

per SA [redacted]
dates not indicated -
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Washington, D.C.

The following information was conducted by Special Agent (SA) [] on December 6, 1988, regarding the appointee, JOHN GOODWIN TOWER: b6 b7C

A letter was presented to [] of the above mentioned Committee signed by FLOYD I. CLARK, Assistant Director, Criminal Investigative Division requesting the Committee to provide the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) with all information in their possession relating to the appointee. Along with the letter, a copy of an appointee signed Authority for Release of Information form was presented. [] stated he researched his Committee's past stance on any Federal agency inquires on Congressional members and advised the investigating agent that he felt the Committee would not open their files to the FBI. [] advised the Committee's files are not applicable under the Freedom of Information Act. He added the Committee believes in total confidentiality of their sources and will not open their files to anyone including the appointee since there may have been inquiries processed by the Committee against the appointee that have been undeveloped or dismissed which he may not be aware of.

Reviewing the appointee's file, [] advised that in July, 1977, the appointee was charged with "misuse of the Frank" and was ordered to pay \$3.64. The appointee paid the charge. [] noted that almost every member of the Senate or House of Representatives has had similar problems and this is not an isolated case. [] stated this is a matter of public record and can therefore be disseminated by him to the FBI. He could provide no further charges after review of the appointee's file.

When asked regarding the two tests to avoid violation of personal use rules regarding the standard for classification of expenses with the TOWER Senate Club, [] provided a "sanitized" edition of a letter sent to "a retiring member of Congress." This letter was to explain the proper use of campaign funds and is incorporated and made part of this insert.

[] related that if the FBI needs further information regarding the appointee's file with the Committee and access is denied, the appointee should submit a written request to the Committee asking for any correspondence between

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himself and the Committee. The appointee should submit this to the FBI. This would give the FBI all information on charges or problems involving the appointee that he (appointee) is aware of.

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[] added that he knows that all correspondence from the appointee's congressional life on Capitol Hill should have been deposited in a library of his (appointee's) choosing. [] is unaware of where the appointee's library may be but believes the appointee may be able to comment on this.

In conclusion, [] stated that after personal review of the appointee's file, it appears that the file is "mostly routine" such as him (appointee) submitting applications for staff members traveling abroad and asking for reimbursement or credit.

[] could not suggest anyone else which should be contacted regarding the appointee or his work on Capitol Hill.

United States Senate

Funds

SELECT COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

HART SENATE OFFICE BUILDING, ROOM 220
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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510
TELEPHONE 224-2981

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Memorandum for [REDACTED]
From: [REDACTED] BSL
Re: Use of Campaign Funds

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In-response to your question, Senator Stevens asked us to outline how a Member or former Member may use excess campaign funds.

The Federal Election Campaign Act allows an individual who has received campaign contributions to use those contributions "to defray any ordinary and necessary expenses incurred in connection with his or her duties as a holder of Federal office" (2 U.S.C. section 439a). This same section also provides, in a clause added in 1980, that no individual may convert campaign funds to his personal use unless he was a Member of Congress on January 8, 1980.

Senate Rule 38, however, provides that "no contribution...shall be converted to the personal use of any Member or former Member." Rule 38 was agreed to in 1977.

The Committee's position has been that the restriction established by Senate Rule 38 in 1977 is not repealed by the 1980 grandfather provision for Members of Congress. A former Senator therefore may not convert campaign funds to personal use.

Nevertheless, your recent appointment makes you once again a "holder of Federal office" and section 439a allows you to use contributions to defray any ordinary and necessary expenses you incur in connection with that office. In order for you to fit within the permission established by section 439a, and to avoid the "personal use" prohibited by Senate Rule 38, we suggest that any expenditure of campaign funds should meet two tests:

- (1) it should be related to your performing the duties of your new Federal office, and not of performing or shutting down a non-Federal activity;

- (2) the expense should qualify as a "trade or business" deduction recognized under section 162 of the Internal Revenue Code. If it does qualify, the expense would not be seen as a "personal use."

A copy of section 439a, and of Rule 38, are attached.

Attachments

cc: The Honorable Ted Stevens

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REFERENCE

United States Senator

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent (SA) [redacted] on December 6, 1988, regarding the appointee JOHN GOODWIN TOWER:

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Senator JOHN McCain, 111 Russell Senate Office Building, Washington, D. C., telephone number [redacted] advised he met the appointee in 1977 when he (Senator McCain) was the Navy's Senior Liaison Officer. Originally, he knew the appointee through his (Senator McCain's) father and was introduced to the appointee. Up to 1981, Senator McCain was in the United States Navy and traveled with the appointee on approximately twenty-five occasions. During the five year period, the Senator saw the appointee working hard and meeting world leaders as the Chairman of the Armed Services Committee. Senator McCain believed the appointee held the highest integrity an character and described him as "the finest man I ever knew." The Senator believed the appointee had "incredible work habits" and to be "dedicated and patriotic to the country". In 1982, Senator McCain was elected to Congress (House of Representatives) and started working closely with the appointee. They frequently traveled together and Senator McCain never knew the appointee to act inappropriately. The Senator knew the appointee's ex-wife, "LILLA" and described her as a "weird crazy woman" who had "aberrational behavior". The only questionable characteristic in the appointee's character, according to the Senator, is his "choice of marriage partners". In 1986, Senator McCain was elected to the Unites States Senate but the appointee had retired and the Senator did not work with him at this point.

Senator McCain knew of nothing in the appointee's character, associates, reputation or loyalty to the United States Government which would reflect unfavorably against the appointee. The Senator knew the appointee to drink alcoholic beverages in moderations but never abuse them. He added he knew of no prescription drug abuse or illicit drug use, including marijuana by the appointee. The Senator did not know the appointee to ever buy or sell illegal drugs. Financially, Senator McCain stated the appointee was the "poorest Senator" at one time because of his previous career in academia. Senator McCain noted the appointee to be unbiased against any class of citizen or group. The Senator believed the appointee to be in good health, both physically and psychologically. He stated that he felt assured of the appointee's access to sensitive information. The Senator knew the appointee to have previous clearances and to always handle classified information in the proper and suitable fashion.

Senator McCain never saw any sexual indiscretion on the part of the appointee either in the United States or abroad. He was not with the appointee in Geneva, Switzerland. The Senator commented that during their committee trips from 1982 - 1984, he knew of numerous opportunities by the appointee to commute indiscretions but he knew the appointee to rebuff the advantages at all times. The Senator stated the appointee had "charisma" which attracted many types of individuals.

Senator McCain reiterated his statement regarding alcohol consumption. He said he never saw the appointee inebriated and knew him to be "a person that enjoys one or two glasses of wine at dinner".

The Senator has no knowledge whatsoever regarding any type of mental instability to include any suicidal tendencies.

Senator McCain knew the appointee to represent certain defense contractors, names unknown to the Senator, and believed that the appointee has "done nothing wrong". He continued by stating the appointee did not represent them while in public service but did so after he retired. He added this is "acceptable conduct for civilian".

The Senator has no personal knowledge but has heard rumors in the press regarding possible illegal campaign contributions to his campaign or illegal expenditures from the campaign fund. He added the appointee is a "seasoned politician" and "would know the consequences of this activity".

Senator McCain has no personal knowledge regarding the appointee's affiliation with Republic Bank Corporation, Dallas, Texas nor any alleged illegal activity concerning other banking facilities.

The Senator concluded by stating that Democrats as a whole dislike the appointee but respect him because of his strong political views. Senator McCain cited two Senators who may be able to aid in the investigation. They are: Senator CARL LEVIN and Senator EDWARD M. KENNEDY.

SENATOR MCCAIN would highly recommend the appointee for a position of trust and confidence with the Federal Government.

ASSOCIATE

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent (SA) [redacted] on December 06, 1988, regarding the appointee, JOHN GOODWIN TOWER:

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[redacted] Office of Senator JOHN W. WARNER, 421 Hart Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C., telephone number [redacted] advised she originally met the appointee when he was [redacted] in his Senate Office in July, 1979. [redacted] knew the appointee to be the grandson and son of Methodist Preachers. She added the appointee's roots were in Texas. [redacted] described the appointee as having a professional demeanor and appearance. [redacted] further stated the appointee was trustworthy, honest, and intelligent. She added he was a "fast-study" and had total recall of anything he read.

[redacted] believed the appointee's approach to his work was "deligent and formal." She knew him to be a hard worker who headed the Committee on Armed Services. She said he had a professional personalty when he needed to but was known for his dry wit. [redacted] believed the staff respected and liked him. [redacted] knew of no derogatory information regarding the appointee.

[redacted] believed the appointee had the highest character and unreapproachable reputation. She added he was a loyal American who associated with individuals with similar characteristics. [redacted] emphatically denied the rumors that the appointee was an alcoholic and stated "He is not an alcoholic!". [redacted] commented that the appointee was known to socially drink but always in moderation. She saw no indication of prescription drug abuse, illicit drug use including marijuana or any attempts by the appointee to buy or sell illegal drugs. Financially, [redacted] said the appointee was stable and living within his means.

[redacted] added the appointee was unbiased against any class of citizen or racial, ethnic, or religious group. She commented the appointee worked quite closely with Hispanics and Blacks in Texas. [redacted] believed the appointee has emotionally stable and physically fit. She stated she felt assured of the appointee's suitability for access to classified or sensitive information.

Regarding specific allegations regarding the appointee's alleged sexual indiscretions, [] stated the appointee was "100% true to LILLA TOWER." [] was aware of press rumors regarding the appointee but had no personal knowledge of any of them. She added she was not with the appointee in Geneva, Switzerland.

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The allegation regarding excessive alcohol consumption by the appointee is false stated [] and knew the appointee to abstain from alcohol at parties or office functions.

[] believed the appointee to be "too religious" for any type of mental instability or suicidal tendencies. She stated it was a "false allegation." [] advised the appointee was a "deep thinker" who was prone to periods of silence when analyzing or researching items of interest.

[] believed the appointee's character and high degree of integrity would preclude him from approaching or creating a potential conflict of interest allegation. She had no personal knowledge of the appointee's dealing with defense contractors.

[] had no personal knowledge of any type of illegal contribution to his campaign or illegal expenditure from campaign funds by the appointee nor of any illegal banking activities by the appointee.

[] suggested contact be made with any of the following individuals regarding the appointee:

[]	Washington, D.C., Houston, Texas, Washington, D.C., Washington, D.C., Washington, D.C.,	[]
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[] concluded by highly recommending the appointee for a position of trust and confidence with the United States Government.

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United States Senator

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent (SA) [redacted] on December 7, 1988, regarding the appointee, JOHN GOODWIN TOWER: b6 b7C

[redacted] Office of Senator DANIEL K. INOUE. 722 Hart Office Building, Washington, D. C., telephone [redacted] advised she was authorized to speak on behalf of Senator INOUE. [redacted] advised the Senator did not know the appointee well enough to comment on his personal character or suitability for a presidential appointment.

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UNITED STATES SENATOR

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent [redacted] on December 7, 1988, regarding the appointee, JOHN GOODWIN TOWER:

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Senator TIMOTHY E. WIRTH, 237 Russell Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C. telephone number [redacted] stated that he does not know the appointee well enough to authoritatively comment on the questions asked. He stated that he was new on the Armed Services Committee when the appointee was leaving and that he has minimal contact with the appointee.

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UNITED STATES SENATOR

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent (SA) [redacted] on December 7, 1988, regarding the appointee, JOHN GOODWIN TOWER:

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Senator JEFF BINGAMAN, 502 Hart Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C., telephone number [redacted] advised he has known the appointee on a professional basis since January, 1983. At that time, Senator BINGAMAN was elected to the United States Senate and was assigned to work on the Armed Services Committee in which the appointee was Chairman. The Senator and the appointee worked together for two years on the Committee and the Senator considered the appointee as being "cooperative, competent, intelligent and knowledgeable." He added the appointee did an excellent job as Chairman of the Committee and was "always fair to me and with all the Committee." Senator BINGAMAN stated the appointee has strong opinions on defense issues but was good at letting others on the Committee express their opinions even if they were different from his own. The Senator stated the appointee had a fine personality and a good reputation on Capitol Hill.

Senator BINGAMAN knew of nothing in the appointee's character, associates, reputation or loyalty to the United States Government which would cause any problems or be an embarrassment to the Administration. The Senator knew the appointee to socially drink but never abuse alcohol. He added he saw no indication of prescription drug abuse or illicit drug use including marijuana by the appointee. The Senator did not know the appointee to buy or sell illegal drugs either. Senator BINGAMAN did not know the financial status of the appointee and therefore could not comment responsibly. The Senator believed the appointee to be physically fit and emotionally stable. Senator BINGAMAN believed the appointee to be impartial and unbiased against any one class of citizen or group. He stated he felt assured due to the appointee's past clearances that he could safely handle access to classified or sensitive information.

Regarding certain allegations concerning the appointee's personal life, including alleged sexual indiscretions, excessive alcohol consumption, mental instability including any suicidal tendencies, illegal campaign contributions or spending, or illegal banking activities, Senator BINGAMAN had no personal knowledge and had not been aware of such allegations.

The Senator saw in various newspapers, certain articles which stated the appointee was retained by certain defense contractors but he had no personal knowledge of the appointee's

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work for them or who exactly they were.

Senator BINGAMAN concluded by advising that he strongly recommends the appointee for a position of trust and confidence with the Federal Government.

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UNITED STATES SENATE

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent (SA) [redacted] on December 7, 1988, regarding the appointee, JOHN GOODWIN TOWER:

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[redacted] Office of Senator LLOYD BENTSON, 703 Hart Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C., telephone number [redacted] stated he was authorized to speak on behalf of Senator BENTSON. The Senator originally met the appointee when he (BENTSON) came to the United States Senate in 1971. [redacted] stated the Senator believed the appointee was a "good U.S. Senator". [redacted] knew the Senator and the appointee had "good working relationship" and that he (BENTSON) has "publicly endorsed Senator TOWER for Secretary of Defense". [redacted] stated Senator BENTSON knew of no derogatory information regarding the appointee's work on Capitol Hill.

[redacted] continued that Senator BENTSON had no reason to question the appointee's character, associates, reputation, or loyalty to the United States Government. To the best of his knowledge, the appointee neither used illegal drugs including marijuana, nor bought or sold illicit drugs during their working relationship. [redacted] said the Senator was unaware of any prescription drug or alcoholic beverage abuse by the appointee. He added the appointee did not appear to be the type of person who harbors any bias or prejudice against any class of citizen, or racial, ethnic, or religious group. [redacted] believed the appointee to be in good health, both physically and psychologically. Financially, [redacted] said the Senator had no knowledge of the appointee's personal finances but has heard of no stories which would denote instability or living beyond his means.

[redacted] stated that the Senator felt assured of the appointee's suitability for access to classified or sensitive information. Regarding certain allegations against the appointee relating to alleged sexual indiscretions, excessive alcohol consumption, mental instability, potential conflict of interests, illegal campaign contributions or spending, and illegal activities concerning banking, [redacted] advised Senator BENTSON knew little of the appointee's private life or life away from the Congress and could not responsibly comment through personal knowledge of these allegations. He added the Senator was unaware of all of the allegations except the potential conflict of interest allegation made in the newspapers regarding the appointee's relationship with various defense contractors unknown to the Senator.

[] concluded by advising that he knew the Senator would be in accord with his observations and opinions of the appointee, and, on behalf of the Senator BENTSON, he would recommend TOWER for a position of trust and confidence with the Government of the United States.

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UNITED STATES SENATOR

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent (SA) [redacted] on December 8, 1988, regarding the appointee, JOHN GOODWIN TOWER:

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Senator ALAN DIXON, Resident, [redacted] [redacted] Palm Beach Gardens, Florida, telephone number [redacted] telephonically contacted the investigating Agent and advised he has known the appointee on a professional basis since January, 1981, when he was elected to the United States Senate. Also, Senator DIXON served on the Committee on Armed Services with the appointee. The Senator stated the appointee was Chairman during their tenure together. Senator DIXON believed the appointee to be a solid and effective worker who was a "man of his work". He added the appointee was "aggressive, strong-willed, and honest". The Senator stated the appointee was known for being a "classic compromiser" but was accomodating. Senator DIXON advised the appointee was a fair man to work with who had a professional demeanor and attitude.

The Senator believed the appointee had a good reputation on Capitol Hill and was highly knowledgeable on defense issues.

Senator DIXON had no reason to question the appointee's character, associates, reputation, or loyalty to the United States Government. The Senator knew the appointee to socially drink and has accompanied him to The Monacle, which is a bar on Capitol Hill where both drank socially but never to excess or intoxication. Senator DIXON knew of no prescription drug abuse or use of illegal drugs including marijuana by the appointee. He added he was unaware of any buying or selling of illegal drugs by the appointee. Financially, Senator DIXON heard no rumors of instability regarding the appointee. Senator DIXON said the appointee was a fair man who was unbiased against any class of citizen or group. Senator DIXON believed the appointee to be physically fit and emotionally stable. The Senator stated he felt assured of the appointee's suitability for access classified information.

Regarding a specific allegation of sexual indiscretions by the appointee, the Senator had no personal knowledge. He added he never accompanied the appointee on trips which would include any time in Geneva, Switzerland. Senator DIXON was aware of these allegations from various newspaper articles.

The Senator was familiar with the allegation of excessive alcohol consumption through the media but was personally unaware of any concrete documentation or knowledge. He was also unaware of any mental instabilities to include any suicidal tendencies.

Senator DIXON had no personal knowledge of any potential conflict of interest allegation against the appointee. he knew that since the appointee left the Senate, he has been working with various unnamed defense contractors. The Senator stated although he is currently the Chairman on the Senate Subcommittee on Readiness, Sustainability, and Support, the appointee has never lobbied him on any occasion.

Senator DIXON had no personal knowledge of illegal contributions to the appointee's campaign or illegal expenditures from him campaign funds. he has heard rumors of the appointee having over \$1 million dollars left over from his campaign but believed he gave some to the Republican National Committee. He knew of no illegal dealing with the money and believed the appointee could document all costs or expenditures.

Senator DIXON was unaware of the allegation concerning the appointee in regards to alleged illegal banking practices. He could no comment further and did not know the Republic Bank Corporation, Dallas, Texas.

Senator DIXON concluded by recommending the appointee for a position of trust and confidence with the federal government.

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UNITED STATES SENATOR


The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents [redacted] and [redacted] on December 7, 1988, regarding the appointee, JOHN GOODWIN TOWER:

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SENATOR STROM THURMOND, 218 Russell Senate Office Building, Washington, d.c., telephone number 224-5972, stated that he had known the appointee since 1961, when the appointee first came to the Senate. Senator THURMOND worked with the appointee on the Senate Committee on Armed Services. In 1964, Senator THURMOND changed sides to become a Republican and the appointee allowed him to keep his seniority on the Committee. In 1981, Senator THURMOND returned the favor by letting the appointee take the chair of the Committee on Armed Services. Senator THURMOND indicated that the appointee had done an excellent job on the Committee. He is a firm and positive leader. He is strong on defense like Senator THURMOND. Senator THURMOND described the appointee as a scholar who is very intelligent yet practical, honest, dedicated and a man of real ability.

Senator THURMOND advised that he knew of nothing questionable regarding the appointee's character, associates, reputation and loyalty to the country. Senator THURMOND knew of no bias or prejudice by the appointee. He also stated he knew of no physical or mental problems. Senator THURMOND couldn't comment about the appointee's financial situation.

Senator THURMOND knew of no alcohol or drug abuse, whether illegal or prescription drugs, but feels confident that the appointee never has done so. He did indicate that the appointee was a social drinker on a moderate level. Senator THURMOND did not know whether the appointee had ever bought or sold any type of drugs.

Senator THURMOND considered the appointee suitable for classified information and recommended him for the position of Secretary of Defense. 

In response to several specific questions regarding allegations of misconduct by the appointee, Senator THURMOND replied by saying he does not know of any sexual indiscretions by the appointee, but he has read various headlines in the paper. He had no knowledge of excessive alcohol consumption but had read about each in the paper. Senator THURMOND had no knowledge of

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any mental incapacities and had not heard anything about such allegations in the media. He was not aware of the allegation, regarding potential conflicts of interest or illegal campaign contributions but had read of both in the paper. Finally, he had neither heard nor did he have any knowledge of any banking activities by the appointee.

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UNITED STATES SENATOR

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents [redacted] and [redacted] on December 7, 1988, regarding the appointee, JOHN GOODWIN TOWER:

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Senator JOHN C. STENNIS, 205 Russell Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C., telephone number [redacted] stated that he has known the appointee since 1961, when the appointee first came to the Senate. Senator STENNIS was the Chairman of the Committee on Armed Services and the appointee was a member of that committee. The two only knew each other within the scope of their Senate duties on Capitol Hill. Senator STENNIS revealed that he and the appointee never had any crosswords or disagreements. The appointee is hardworking, honest, very loyal and aggressive. He has no faults of which Senator STENNIS knows. Senator STENNIS stressed that they are not good friends, that they dealt with each other as business associates only. Senator STENNIS added that the appointee was a "very good attender of committee meetings," and he was "always responsive and contributed" to the substance of the meetings. Senator STENNIS stated that he knew "nothing out of line" regarding the appointee.

Senator STENNIS advised that the appointee is of excellent character and reputation and had good associates. Senator STENNIS considered the appointee to be loyal to his job and the country. Senator STENNIS knew of no bias or prejudice on the part of the appointee. He could verify that the appointee is a fair individual. He also could not speak knowledgeably as to whether the appointee lived within his financial means. Also, the appointee did not appear to have any physical or mental problems.

Senator STENNIS knew nothing about the appointee regarding alcohol, prescription drugs, illegal drugs or social drinking, including the buying or selling of any type of drugs.

Senator STENNIS considered the appointee to be suitable for classified information and did not have any objections to the appointment, he stated there was "nothing to indicate any problem."

In response to several specific questions regarding allegations of misconduct by the appointee, Senator STENNIS replied as follows: He had not heard nor did he have any knowledge of any sexual indiscretions in this country or abroad; he had not heard nor did he have any knowledge of any excessive alcohol consumption; he had not heard nor did he have any

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knowledge of any mental incapacities, he did not have any knowledge of any potential conflicts of interest, however, he had read of certain affiliations between defense contractors and the appointee in the newspapers; he had not heard nor did he have any knowledge of any illegal campaign contributions; and finally, he had not heard nor did he have any knowledge of any illegal banking activities.

Senator STENNIS would recommend the appointee for a position of confidence and trust with the United States Government. *

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UNITED STATES SENATOR

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent (SA) [redacted] on December 6, 1988, regarding the appointee JOHN GOODWIN TOWER: b6 b7C

[redacted] (confidentiality from the appointee requested), [redacted] telephone number [redacted] advised he has known the appointee on a professional basis since [redacted] when he became [redacted]. In the beginning [redacted] stated the appointee and he had casual meetings but as time progressed, their working relationship and compatibility strengthened. [redacted] stated he and the appointee had two decades of association on security issues. The Senator knew the appointee to be a former Naval Officer in World War II and to be highly patriotic. [redacted] remembered on one occasion when the appointee gave a stirring speech on the Senate floor at midnight when the Argentinians invaded the Fulkland Islands. [redacted] stated the appointee "ignited everyone's patriotism to a new height". For six years, [redacted] and the appointee [redacted]

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[redacted] During that time, [redacted] stated "with the exception of [redacted] Senator TOWER was held in the highest esteem " and was "ranked as the finest on peer review". The Senator believed that the work of the appointee's on the Committee came to him naturally due to his military background and parallel interest in military history. Also, [redacted] knows the appointee has strong ties and close friends in different military branches in the United States. [redacted] described the appointee as "a constructive and vigorous man on work ethics". Also, he added the appointee worked long hours. [redacted] believed the "hallmark" of the appointee's life on Capitol Hill was to "pick extremely capable individuals to serve on his staff and committee". After the appointee's retirement from Capitol Hill in 1984, [redacted] knew him to work as a negotiator in Geneva Switzerland. During that time, [redacted] was a member of the [redacted] and [redacted]

[redacted] During that time, [redacted] saw no illicit conduct or inappropriate behavior on the part of the appointee. [redacted] knew the appointee to have a different lifestyle than his own. [redacted] is active in various sports and sporting events while he knew the appointee to be uninterested in sports.

[redacted] continued by stating he had no reason to question the appointee's character, associates, reputation, or

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loyalty to the United States Government. To the best of [redacted] knowledge, the appointee did not abuse alcohol, prescription drugs, or use illegal drugs including marijuana. In this regard, the Senator knew of no time in which the appointee would have bought or sold illegal drugs. [redacted] knew of no problems in regards the appointee's financial dealings and lifestyle. He added the appointee did not appear to exhibit any signs of prejudice or bias towards any class of citizen or group. [redacted] believed the appointee to be physically fit and emotionally stable. He stated, that he felt assured of the appointee's suitability for access to classified or sensitive information.

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Regarding certain allegations regarding the appointee's alleged sexual indiscretions, both in the United States and abroad, [redacted] had no personal knowledge or observations of this. During his visit with the appointee and other individual [redacted] believed the appointee "would have had ample opportunities but I never saw anything happen." Additional individuals who could comment on this allegation may be [redacted] a member of the appointee's personal staff.

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[redacted] read about the allegation of excessive alcohol consumption by the appointee and stated he has seen the appointee drunk at social gatherings on Capitol Hill but has always known him to "practice moderation".

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[redacted] noted the appointee represented certain defense contractors and has visited with him (appointee) in the presence of the contractors but has no personal knowledge of any potential conflict of interest problems.

[redacted] has no knowledge of any illegal contributions to the appointee's campaign or illegal expenditures from his campaign funds. [redacted] added he was unaware of his allegation.

Furthermore, [redacted] was unaware of any type of illegal activity concerning banking practices of the appointee. He could not comment further.

[redacted] knew of no mental instability to include any suicidal tendencies. The Senator was unaware of the allegation.

[redacted] concluded by highly recommending the appointee for a position of trust and confidence with the federal government.

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Senator PHIL GRAMM, 370 Russell Senate Office Building, Washington, D. C., Telephone [redacted] was advised of the identity of the interviewing agents and that he was being interviewed regarding a background clearance investigation concerning the appointee, JOHN GOODWIN TOWER. Also, Senator GRAMM was asked to comment on his knowledge of any current or past circumstances that might have a bearing on TOWER's suitability for Federal Employment or access to classified information. Senator GRAMM provided the following information:

Approximately 10 years ago in 1978, Senator GRAMM met the then Senator TOWER at Texam A & M University. At that time, Senator GRAMM was a college professor there. Later, Senator GRAMM was elected the United States Congress, House of Representatives to represent the state of Texas. Following his 10th year as a congressman, Senator GRAMM was elected to the United States Senate. GRAMM characterized the appointee as being "honest, loyal, and trustworthy". He added the appointee was highly knowledgeable on defense issues and that the general conception of the appointee on Capital Hill was that he did a good job as a Senator. Senator GRAMM believed the appointee to be an effective leader who was a "hard charger". He added the appointee was tough but fair and that any Member of the Senate has "a reservoir of good will" towards the appointee. Senator GRAMM stated the appointee loves America and was a great man. Senator GRAMM believed the appointee to be intraverted at times, much more than most politicians. He added though the appointee appeared to be intraverted at times he could not have lasted for 24 years at the Senate without getting along with everyone. Senator GRAMM stated the appointee was a "dapper dresser" and was respected. Senator GRAMM knew the appointee to go through a "messy divorce" and was aware of allegations of womanizing and excessive drinking by the appointee. Senator GRAMM had no personal knowledge of these allegations but believed that if a problem did exist in these two areas, the appointee would deal with it appropriately. Regarding the appointee's bitter divorce from his wife, LILLA TOWER, Senator GRAMM knew the appointee's wife to be intensely disliked. He added that the appointee's wife was a "mean domineering woman" and he never knew why the appointee married her. Senator believed the vicious rumors and allegations against the appointee were being developed

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from his former wife due to her bitterness. He added that he believed the appointee's ex-wife was "out to ruin him" with these rumors. Senator GRAMM further related that some rumors may come from many years ago when the appointee was not a serious contender for a Senate position. But, through a series of unexpected circumstances, the appointee won election to the United States Senate. The Senator related that the appointee won re-election in an unusual way. He related that the appointee was running against LYNDON JOHNSON for election to the United States Senate. At that same time, JOHNSON was also running as a Vice President on the Presidential ticket along with a potential position on the U.S. Senate for Texas. Since JOHNSON was one of the winners in the Presidential Election, the appointee was included in a special election to take the slot originally given to JOHNSON. From this original attitude, Senator GRAMM believed some people felt uncomfortable with the appointee since he did not take his job seriously. Senator GRAMM advised that when the appointee came to the United States Senate, he was one of the youngest Senators. Once in position as Senator for Texas in Washington, D. C., Senator GRAMM believed the appointee "took his job seriously" and started to perform in an honorable and effective manner.

Senator GRAMM had no reason to question the appointee's character, associates, reputation, or loyalty to the United States Government. Senator GRAMM knew the appointee to socially drink but never abuse alcohol. Senator GRAMM saw no indication of prescription drug abuse or illicit drug use including marijuana by the appointee. Senator GRAMM knew of no time where the appointee may have bought or sold illegal drugs during their relationship. Financially, Senator GRAMM knew the appointee to be considered one of the "poor senators" but believed he was a stable individual. Senator GRAMM believed the appointee to be unbiased against any class or citizen or racial, ethnic, or religious group. He stated that he felt assured of the appointee's suitability for access to classified or sensitive information.

Regarding an allegation of alleged sexual indiscretions both in the U.S. and abroad, Senator GRAMM stated that he had no personal knowledge regarding this allegation. Senator GRAMM knew the appointee to like women but he did not think the appointee would "do anything as Secretary of Defense which would cause an embarrassment to the administration". Senator GRAMM added that the appointee was never aggressive towards any woman and always worked well with them.

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Senator GRAMM emphatically stated "I have never seen JOHN TOWER drunk" although he had heard stories of excessive alcohol consumption. Senator GRAMM related that if the administration is looking for any confirmation of these allegations, they should be more concerned with the appointee's alleged drinking problems than his womanizing situation. Senator GRAMM further explained this statement by saying that although he had no personal knowledge of these allegations, he believed that if the appointee had a problem in either or both areas, he would deal with it in an efficient and proper manner.

Senator GRAMM had no personal knowledge of any potential conflict of interest allegations concerning the appointee. He stated that "no way would JOHN TOWER do anything such as engaging in a conflict of interest". He added that "JOHN TOWER would not benefit at the expense of the public". He continued by stating that the appointee was not dishonest but highly reputable and trustworthy. Senator GRAMM was aware that the appointee had done some work for various defense contractors but could provide no names of such contractors or further information.

Senator GRAMM was familiar with the allegation of illegal contributions to the appointee's campaign fund or illegal expenditures from the fund. Senator GRAMM was under the assumption that the appointee gave some of his money to various colleges, candidates, in the 1984 Victory Campaign. Senator GRAMM had no personal knowledge of any illegal campaign contributions or spending by the appointee.

Senator GRAMM stated that he was familiar with the appointee being an officer of the Republic Bank Corporation, Dallas, Texas. He believed the appointee became a board member after his senate duty. Senator GRAMM believed the appointee was not active in the running of the bank or any activity which led to the bank failure.

Senator GRAMM believed the appointee was good at choosing the right people for his organization which increased his leadership and leadership ability. He added by attracting good people over the years, the appointee's number of friends and influential positions has grown. Senator GRAMM advised that if these individuals have any knowledge of any illicit activities, they may tend not to come forward with the information because of their intense loyalty to him due to his help and knowledge over the years.

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Based upon their past association and Senator GRAMM's knowledge of the appointee, he advised that he would recommend the appointee for a position of trust and confidence with the United States Government and for a position of Secretary of Defense for the new administration

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UNITED STATES SENATOR

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Senator ALBERT GORE, 393 Russell Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C., telephone number [REDACTED] advised he originally met the appointee on a professional basis in January, 1985 when he (Senator GORE) was coming into the United States Senate and the appointee was leaving. Senator GORE stated he got to work with the appointee when both were in Geneva, Switzerland. At that time, Senator GORE stated the appointee was a START negotiator and the Senator was a member of the Senate Arms Control Observation Group. During that time, Senator GORE got to observe the appointee's relationship and knowledge concerning defense issues with foreign powers. Senator GORE stated that he respected the appointee but did not agree on every issue. He added that he believed the appointee was a capable person and he genuinely liked the appointee. During their brief relationship in Geneva, Switzerland, Senator GORE saw no indication of improper activities committed by the appointee and described his work as highly professional, competent, and knowledgeable. Professionally, Senator GORE had no personal knowledge of any problems regarding the appointee. He knew of no derogatory information regarding the appointee.

Senator GORE had no reason to question the appointee's character, associates, or reputation. Senator GORE said the appointee is a loyal American. Senator GORE knew the appointee to socially drink but never saw him abuse alcohol or appear in an intoxicated condition. Senator GORE saw no indication of prescription drug abuse or illicit drug usage, including marijuana, by the appointee. In this regard, Senator GORE knew of no buying or selling of illegal drugs by the appointee. Senator GORE knew of no rumors regarding financial instability by the appointee and believed that he was stable. Senator GORE stated the appointee was unbiased against any class of citizen or racial, ethnic, or religious group. Senator GORE believed the appointee would be suitable for access to classified or sensitive information.

Senator GORE was familiar with certain rumors regarding alleged sexual indiscretions committed by the appointee. Senator GORE stated he had no personal knowledge of these rumors nor did he hear of any type of an affair with a foreign national or United States citizen.

As mentioned earlier, Senator GORE reiterated that he knew of no excessive alcohol consumption by the appointee but knew him to socially drink. In this regard, Senator GORE could not comment on how much or how often the appointee drank.

Senator GORE had no personal knowledge of any mental instabilities experienced by the appointee to include any suicidal tendencies. Senator GORE stated that he had never heard of this rumor before and could not comment further.

Senator GORE was familiar with the appointee working with various defense contractors but did not know to the extent of his contact with them. He stated he could not comment on the potential for a conflict of interest allegation against the appointee since he will be sitting on the Committee who will be hearing the nomination of the appointee for Secretary of Defense. He could not comment further regarding this allegation.

Senator GORE had no personal knowledge of any illegal contributions to the appointee's campaign or illegal expenditures from his campaign funds. Furthermore, he added he had no knowledge of this rumor prior to the discussion with the investigating Agents. On the same level, Senator GORE had no personal knowledge of any illegal banking activities concerning the appointee with the Republic Bank Corporation, Dallas, Texas.

Senator GORE believed the appointee to be qualified for the position under consideration. Based upon their association and his observations and opinions, Senator GORE would recommend the appointee for a position of trust and confidence with the United States Government.

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UNITED STATES SENATOR

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent (SA) [redacted] on December 9, 1988, regarding the appointee, JOHN GOODWIN TOWER:

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Senator JOHN GLENN, 505 Dirksen Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C., telephone number [redacted] telephonically advised that he has known the appointee on a professional basis since January, 1975, when he was sworn in as a United States Senator. Senator GLENN added he and the appointee knew each other from mutual work for the Senate Committee on Armed Services. He related he was never a formal member of the Committee though. Senator GLENN stated he traveled to Munich, West Germany with the appointee on an extended weekend regarding a Conference called WEHRKUNDE which dealt with NATO and its alignment policies. At that time, the appointee headed the delegation and was known to be an "expert in defense areas". Senator GLENN believed the appointee to be a hard worker who was cooperative, professional, and honest. He knows of no derogatory information regarding the appointee and believed he would be an asset to the next Administration.

Senator GLENN had no reason to question the appointee's character, associates, or reputation. He said the appointee was a loyal American. The Senator knew of no physical or emotional experiences or problems which have effected the appointee. Senator GLENN knew the appointee to socially drink, but has never seen the appointee intoxicated. The Senator saw no indication of prescription drug abuse or illegal drug usage including marijuana. He knew of no illegal buying or selling of such drugs either. Financially, he believed the appointee to live within his means. Senator GLENN believed the appointee to be unbiased against any class of citizen or group. The Senator had no reason to question the appointee's suitability for access to classified information.

Senator GLENN had no personal knowledge of any allegations relating to the appointee in regards to sexual indiscretions. He noted he was a "fill-in member for Senator BYRD" to the Arms Control Observer Group, in Geneva, Switzerland in 1985-1986. Throughout his association with the appointee, he saw no compromising situations or potentially embarrassing actions taken by the appointee.

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The Senator characterized the allegation relating to the appointee's alleged excessive alcohol consumption by stating that the appointee practiced "controlled social drinking". He had no personal knowledge of excessive drinking by the appointee, but could not comment on the amount he did drink at any one time.

The Senator had no personal knowledge of any potential conflicts of interests in regards to the appointee representing various defense contractors. He knew the appointee to represent companies but he (appointee) has never contracted him on behalf of these companies.

Senator GLENN knew of rumors regarding illegal contributions to the appointee's campaign or illegal expenditures from his campaign funds but had no personal knowledge of these rumors.

Senator GLENN was unaware of any mental instability problems of the appointee to include any suicidal tendencies. He was also unaware of any illegal banking activities involving the appointee.

Senator GLENN believed the appointee was highly qualified for a nomination as Secretary of Defense and based upon his knowledge of him, he would recommend him for a position of trust and confidence with the United States Government

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UNITED STATES HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents [redacted] and [redacted] on December 9, 1988, regarding the appointee, JOHN GOODWIN TOWER:

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Congressman NORMAN DICKS, 429 Rayburn House Office Building, Washington, D.C., telephone number [redacted] advised that he has known the appointee on a professional basis since the late 1960's, when DICKS came to the Senate as a staffer for a former senator. He was in this capacity until 1976, being elected to the United States House of Representatives. Congressman DICKS became familiar with the appointee's work and reputation during that time. In 1985 through 1986, Congressman DICKS served in the capacity of observer to the Geneva Arms Talks. Congressman DICKS became familiar with the appointee's involvement in the talks and generally observed the negotiations process. The Congressman expressed the belief that the appointee was good at working with people, very aggressive, assertive, determined, knowledgeable, and very thorough. He had a very good understanding of defense programs. The Congressman also expressed the belief that the appointee was liked by the Soviets, basing this assertion on the fact that the appointee enjoys drinking and related well in a negotiating situation with the Russian negotiators. The Congressman observed the appointee at various eating establishments in Washington, D.C., including "THE MONACLE", during the years between 1968 and 1976. He stated that he observed no derogatory or embarrassing behavior at all; there was never too much drinking or any womanizing. The Congressman said further that the appointee is not a "career diplomat", and because he has an assertive personality, the appointee has probably made a few enemies along the way.

The Congressman has no knowledge of anything questionable regarding the appointee's character, associates, and reputation. He stated that he believed the appointee to be very loyal and dedicated to his job as a Senator and to the country. The Congressman knew of no bias or prejudice by the appointee. He also stated that he knew of no physical or mental problems. The Congressman thought that the appointee was financially stable and lived well within his financial means. Congressman DICKS knew of no alcohol abuse on the part of the appointee but confirmed that he was a social drinker. The Congressman also had no knowledge of any type of drug abuse whether illegal or prescription drugs, and neither had ever known the appointee to have sold or bought any type of drugs.

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Congressman DICKS considered the appointee suitable for classified information. He also recommended him for the position of Secretary of Defense. In response to several specific questions regarding the allegations of misconduct by the appointee, Congressman DICKS replied by saying he does not know of any sexual indiscretions by the appointee and that he has never read or heard of any such allegations. He had no knowledge of excessive alcohol consumption by the appointee but has heard that he likes to drink. He never has heard that the appointee was an alcoholic. Congressman DICKS had no knowledge of any mental incapacities and had not heard anything about such allegations in the media. He was not aware of the allegation, regarding potential conflicts of interests or illegal campaign contributions but had read of both in the paper. Finally, the Congressman had neither heard nor did he have any knowledge of any illegal banking activities by the appointee.

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UNITED STATES HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents [redacted] and [redacted] on December 9, 1988, regarding the appointee, JOHN GOODWIN TOWER:

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Congressman CHARLES WILSON, 265 Rayburn House Office Building, Washington, D.C., telephone number 225-2401, advised that he had known the appointee since 1960, the year that the appointee became Senator. The Congressman became well acquainted with the appointee in 1966, when he was elected to the State Senate in Texas and he crossed paths with the appointee at Rotary Club meetings. The Congressman served on the Sub-Committee for Defense under Appropriations. Generally, the Congressman gives the appointee high marks, even though he is more conservative than the Congressman. The Congressman has socially been with the appointee twice: once at the Congressman's home for dinner and once out for dinner at a hotel restaurant. The Congressman stated that the appointee enjoys broad respect on the Hill. He stated that some don't like him because of his reputation of being assertive, stuffy, particular, and distant.

The Congressman had no reason to question the appointee's character, associates, reputation, and loyalty to the country. Congressman WILSON knew of no bias or prejudice on the part of the appointee; he could verify that the appointee is a fair individual. He also could not speak knowledgeably as to whether the appointee lived within his financial means. Also, the appointee did not appear to have any physical or mental problems.

Congressman WILSON had no knowledge of any alcohol abuse on the part of the appointee. He was unable to comment as to whether the appointee was a social drinker. The Congressman had no knowledge of any drug abuse by the appointee, including prescription drugs and illicit drugs. The Congressman had no knowledge of the appointee having had either sold or bought any type of drugs. He also knew of no biases or partiality toward any group of individuals or citizens regarding race, ethnic background, or religion. Congressman WILSON considered the appointee to be suitable for classified information and did not have any objections to the appointment. In response to several specific questions regarding allegations of misconduct by the appointee, Congressman WILSON replied as follows: he had not heard nor did he have any knowledge of any sexual indiscretions

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in this country or abroad; he had not heard nor did he have any knowledge of any excessive alcohol consumption; he had nor heard nor did he have any knowledge of any mental incapacities; he did not have any knowledge of any potential conflicts of interest, however, he had read of certain affiliations between Defense contractors and the appointee in the newspapers. He commented that he would not consider this a conflict of interest. The Congressman commented that he had no personal knowledge of any illegal contributions to the appointee's campaign or any illegal expenditures of those campaign funds. He had however read about such allegations in the newspaper. Finally, Congressman WILSON had no personal knowledge of any illegal activities concerning banking, and he had not heard of any such allegations in the media or otherwise.

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Congressman JOHN P. MURTHA, 2423 Rayburn House Office Building, Washington, D.C., telephone number 225-2065, was advised of the identity of the interviewing Agent and that he was being interviewed regarding a background clearance investigation concerning the appointee, JOHN GOODWIN TOWER. Also, Congressman MURTHA was asked concerning his knowledge of any current or past circumstances that might have a bearing on TOWER's suitability for Federal employment or access to classified information. Congressman MURTHA provided the following information:

Congressman MURTHA advised that he has known the appointee on a professional basis for approximately 14 years. Originally, Congressman MURTHA met the appointee when he became a member of the House of Representatives. Congressman MURTHA commented that he dealt with the appointee on defense issues when he (appointee) was the chairman of the committee on Arms Services and Congressman MURTHA was on the Defense Subcommittee on Appropriations. Congressman MURTHA believed the appointee to be straightforward and to get the job done. Congressman MURTHA further added the appointee was highly knowledgeable on defense issues and was excellent in relating with people. Congressman MURTHA characterized the appointee as being cooperative, articulate, and professional. Congressman MURTHA stated that he could only comment on the appointee's professional life and has no knowledge of his personal life. Congressman MURTHA stated that the appointee took a "hard line on defense policy" and believes in spending any amount of money to defend the United States. In recent years, Congressman MURTHA accompanied the

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appointee on a trip to Munich, West Germany, for approximately three days. Congressman MURTHA stated that the appointee headed the trip and was in charge of talking to members of NATO concerning defense issues. He added that this was the only trip on which he accompanied the appointee during their relationship.

Congressman MURTHA had no reason to question the appointee's character, associates, reputation, or loyalty to the United States Government. Congressman MURTHA was unaware of any alcohol or prescription drug abuse by the appointee. Congressman MURTHA saw no indication of illegal drug usage, including marijuana, by the appointee. In that regard, Congressman MURTHA was unaware of any buying or selling of illegal drugs by the appointee. Financially, Congressman MURTHA was unaware of the appointee's financial state. He added he could not comment but knew of no derogatory information regarding the appointee's financial stability. Congressman MURTHA believes the appointee to be unbiased against any class of citizen or racial, ethnic, or religious group. He added that he believes the appointee relates well with all types of people and has a good reputation with minorities. Congressman MURTHA is unaware of any physical handicaps or mental instabilities experienced by the appointee. Congressman MURTHA believes the appointee would be suitable for access to classified or sensitive information. The congressman said that he knew the appointee to have past clearances and knew of no problems with the appointee's handling of classified information.

In regard to a alleged sexual indiscretions by the appointee, both in the U.S. and abroad, Congressman MURTHA has no personal knowledge. Furthermore, Congressman MURTHA had never heard of such allegations. He added that he was not with the appointee in Geneva, Switzerland, in 1985-1986.

Congressman MURTHA advised that he had no personal knowledge of excessive alcohol consumption by the appointee and could not comment on how much or how often the appointee consumed alcohol. He added that he was unaware of such an allegation made of the appointee.

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Congressman MURTHA believes the appointee to have a strong mental stability and knew of no circumstances in which the appointee would be incapacitated or to act in an irrational matter.

Congressman MURTHA had no personal knowledge of any potential conflicts of interest by the appointee regarding his passport for various defense contractors. Congressman MURTHA stated that the appointee supports Texas and does not believe the appointee would support an individual corporation at the expense of the nation. Congressman MURTHA stated that the appointee is an intensely loyal American.

Congressman MURTHA had no personal knowledge of any type of illegal contribution to the appointee's campaign or illegal expenditures from the appointee's campaign funds. Furthermore, Congressman MURTHA had never heard such of this allegation against the appointee.

Congressman MURTHA had no personal knowledge of the appointee being involved in the Republic Bank Corporation, Dallas, Texas. Again, Congressman MURTHA stated that he was unaware of such allegations and could not comment further regarding this.

Congressman MURTHA believes the appointee's policy toward Defense was to "spend whatever amount necessary to defend the country." Congressman MURTHA further added that the appointee did not take into effect the available cash to the budget for lack of it. Regarding policy issues, Congressman MURTHA stated that he and the appointee disagreed because of his intense beliefs on increased defense spending. In this regard, Congressman MURTHA stated that the appointee, in his opinion, may not have the ability to compromise with others on defense issues. He believed that the appointee contributed to the deficit in the nation's economy because he is so adamantly against raising taxes. Congressman MURTHA is concerned that the appointee may not compromise on certain issues which would help decrease the deficit, but still defend the country. Congressman MURTHA would not personally recommend the appointee for a position of Secretary of Defense with the BUSH Administration, but added that if the President-Elect would deem the appointee acceptable, he would support the President-Elect's opinions and choice.

BUSINESS ASSOCIATES

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EMPLOYMENT

Martin Marietta Corporation
6801 Rockledge Drive
Bathesda, Maryland

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[redacted] advised that her records reflect that the appointee, JOHN GOODWIN TOWER has been employed as a consultant from September 16, 1987 to the present time and added that the appointee's contract will expire and his employment will terminate on December 31, 1988. She stated that the appointee's contract reflects that he was hired to advise and counsel Martin Marietta Company on matters of interest to the company in the area of strategic systems, including support of MX, SICBM and SDI; and communications systems including support of FTS-2000, the National Emergency Telecommunication System and the VA Data Network System. The appointee's contract also reflects that his activities with Martin Marietta do not require him to register under the Re-organization Act of 1946 as his function is to provide information to the company and not to influence members of congress. She stated that her records reflect no additional pertinent information regarding the appointee. She also advised that there are no company officials available who are able to comment or provide any additional pertinent information regarding the appointee.

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EMPLOYMENT

Hicks and Associates
1710 Good Ridge Drive
McLain, Virginia

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[redacted] advised that his records reflect that the appointee JOHN GOODWIN TOWER has been employed by his company as a consultant from May 15, 1987 to the present time although he advised that the appointee's contract will be terminated on December 15, 1988. He stated that the appointee was hired on a retainer basis as an information source to help give this company an indication of the kind of support which different line items might get from Congress. He stated that the appointee does not provide any lobbying for his company and does not attempt to influence any Members of Congress. He stated that his contacts with the appointee have been primarily on a professional basis although he has had limited social contact with the appointee for the past several years. He stated that the appointee has done a very good job as a consultant for his company and has provided a very high quality work product. He stated that he has the highest regards for the appointee and has always found him to be a very stable individual. He advised that he has never seen or heard of any sexual indiscretions by the appointee. He stated that he does not feel that the appointee would present a potential conflict of interest as he has always found him to be a very honest and trustworthy individual. He stated that he has no knowledge of any illegal campaign contributions or spending by the appointee. He also advised that he has no knowledge of any illegal activities concerning banking by the appointee. He stated that he has never seen or heard of the appointee expressing or manifesting any bias or prejudice against any individual or group based upon sex, race, color, religion, national origin, handicap or age. He stated that the appointee appears to live within his financial means. He advised that he has never seen any indication of illegal drug use or alcohol abuse by the appointee. He commented favorably regarding the appointee's character, associates, reputation and loyalty to the country and knew of no unfavorable information regarding him. He recommended the appointee, JOHN GOODWIN TOWER for a position of trust and confidence in the United States Government.

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ASSOCIATE

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[] Telephone number [] commented on behalf of the
appointee, JOHN GOODWIN TOWER:

He stated that he has known the appointee for "some years" on a professional basis and on a limited social basis. He stated that he serves the appointee by []. He describes the appointee as a man of high integrity, who is very honest, trustworthy and reliable. He stated that the appointee appears to have a stable personality and appears to live within his financial means. He commented favorably regarding the appointee's character, associates, reputation and loyalty to the country and knew of no unfavorable information regarding him. He stated that he has never seen any indication of any racial bias or prejudiced against any individual or group based upon sex, race, color, religion, national origin, handicap or age. He stated that he has never seen any indication of any sexual indiscretions or excessive alcohol consumption and added that he gets feedback from all over the country regarding the [] and feels that he would have heard if there was any indication of problems in these areas. He also advised that because of his experience of dealing with an alcoholic in his family that he feels that he would recognize symptoms of alcohol abuse if they were present and added that he has never seen the appointee's alcohol consumption affect his performance or affect his relationship with other people. He stated that he would see no potential conflict of interest regarding the appointee due to his extreme honesty. He stated that the appointee is a very honorable person and has never expressed an interest in accumulating wealth. He added that the appointee is the type of person who would never bend a rule or cut corners to improve his own position. He recommended the appointee for a position of trust and confidence in the United States Government and feels that he would make the best possible choice for Secretary of Defense and would be well respected by world community.

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[redacted] advised that her records reflect that the appointee, JOHN GOODWIN TOWER has been employed as a consultant from May 1, 1988 to the present time although she stated it is understood that the appointee's contract will be canceled if he receives an appointment to work for the United States Government. She stated that the appointee was hired to advise and counsel this company on matters of interest to the company in the areas of strategic planning including aerospace programs, B22 Navy programs, and SFW Airforce programs. She stated that the appointee advised this company regarding the development of European and Domestic programs. She also advised that the appointee advised this company in trade areas and specifically on how the trade bill will affect Textron. She stated that she has known the appointee on a professional basis for approximately 10 years and also advised that she has had limited social contact with the appointee for the past one and one half years. She describes the appointee as a very honorable and ethical individual who is one of the top experts in the defense field. She stated that she has always seen the appointee conduct himself in a very professional manner and has always found him to be a gentleman. She stated that she has never seen or heard of any sexual indiscretions by the appointee and has always found him to be a very stable individual under any circumstances. She stated that she does not feel that the appointee would present a potential conflict of interest and added that the appointee has never lobbied for her company or attempted to influence contracts for her company. She stated that she has no knowledge regarding any illegal campaign contributions or spending nor does she have any knowledge of any illegal activities concerning banking by the appointee. She advised that she has never seen the appointee express or manifest any bias or prejudice against any individual or group based upon sex, race, color, religion, national origin, handicap or age. She advised that the appointee appears to live within his financial means. She also advised that she has never seen any indication of illegal drug use or alcohol abuse by the appointee. She commented favorably regarding the appointee's character, associates reputation and loyalty to the country and knew of no unfavorable information regarding him. She advised that she had read in a local Washington newspaper regarding the before mentioned allegations against the appointee and stated that she

felt that these allegations probably came from the appointee's ex-spouse. She stated that she has had numerous professional dealings with the appointee's ex-spouse in the past and added that she would tend to believe the appointee rather than the ex-spouse. She recommended the appointee definitely for a position of trust and confidence in the United States Government and feels that he would be well qualified to be the Secretary of Defense.

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British Aerospace Incorporated

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent [redacted] on December 8, 1988, regarding the appointee JOHN GOODWIN TOWER.

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[redacted] Board of Directors, British Aerospace Incorporated, 13873 Park Center Road, Herndon, Virginia, telephone number [redacted] was contacted and stated that he has known the appointee for approximately one and one-half years. [redacted] stated that he first met the appointee at a board meeting at British Aerospace shortly after the appointee's appointment to the Board of Directors. He advised that the appointee is a member of the Board of Directors and has been since June 1, 1986. [redacted] indicated that the appointee has held no executive office position while on the board, but does have voting privileges. [redacted] stated that he found the appointee to be a "solid person who was disciplined, intelligent, and articulate." He advised that the appointee does not comment on a question raised during a board meeting unless he has researched the problem completely. [redacted] indicated that the appointee is held in high regard as a "sage counselor."

[redacted] continued that he was unaware of any excessive alcohol drinking and stated further that "if the appointee is an excessive drinker, he hides it well." [redacted] considered the appointee to be in good mental and physical condition and was unaware of any mental incapacities under any circumstances including any suicidal tendencies. He was unaware of any illegal campaign contributions or spending, or illegal activities concerning banking. [redacted] stated that British Aerospace does a majority of commercial work and very little defense work, and he sees no potential conflicts of interest in light of the appointee's past work for various defense contractors. [redacted] advised that he had no knowledge of any sexual improprieties and was only aware of what has been stated in the newspapers. The appointee is not known to have any financial difficulties and seems to be living within his means. [redacted] indicated that he has never observed any indication that the appointee was biased or prejudiced toward any individual or groups. [redacted] stated that he is unaware of any use, purchase or sale of illegal drugs.

[redacted] concluded by stating he had no reason to question the appointee's loyalty to the United States Government or any of his associates and recommended him, based only on his limited knowledge of the appointee, for a position of trust and confidence with the government.

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MISCELLANEOUS

British Aerospace Incorporated

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent [] on December 9, 1988, regarding the appointee JOHN GOODWIN TOWER.

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[] British Aerospace Incorporated, 13873 Park Center Road, Herndon, Virginia, telephone number [] Ext [] was interviewed and stated that he first met the appointee at a National Business Association meeting in Dallas, Texas, and has known the appointee for approximately two and one half years. [] advised that the appointee has been a non-executive director since May, 1986, to the present. The appointee holds no office positions, but does have the privilege to vote and participate at board meetings. The appointee was characterized by [] as "delightful, knowledgeable, professional, and highly principled." [] indicated that the appointee is an advisor who keeps the company in line with the laws of the United States and "sort of Americanizes the company." He stated that the appointee is a "quiet person who does not talk a great deal, but when he does speak he articulates well." [] advised that the appointee is held in high regard at the company.

[] indicated that he could think of nothing negative or derogatory in connection with the appointee's character, reputation or personal associates. The appointee was judged to be loyal to the United States Government. [] knew of no problems with excessive alcohol consumption and stated that the appointee "was not a man who was reaching for the bottle." [] knew of no prescription drug abuse nor the use, sale or purchase of illegal drugs. He believed the appointee to be in good mental and physical health and was unaware of any mental incapacities including any suicidal tendencies. He indicated that he was unaware of any illegal activities concerning banking nor any knowledge of illegal contributions to or expenditures from the appointee's campaign funds.

[] was unaware of any sexual indiscretions except for what he has read in the newspapers. He indicated that the appointee has been accompanied by [] at several social functions. [] was unable to comment on the length of time that the appointee and [] but did state that [] is located in []

[] stated that British Aerospace does do a good deal of defense work, but he sees no potential conflict of

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interest noting the appointee's past work with various defense contractors. He indicated that he is unaware of any bias or prejudice that the appointee might have towards any individual or groups.

[] believes the appointee to be suited for access to classified or sensitive materials and concluded by recommending the appointee for a position of trust and confidence with the government.

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British Aerospace Incorporated
13850 McLearen Road
Herndon, Virginia

On December 9, 1988, the following investigation was conducted by Special Agent [redacted] regarding the appointee, JOHN GOODWIN TOWER.

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[redacted] British Aerospace Incorporated, advised that he has known the appointee for approximately ten years. He indicated that he first met the appointee in Washington, D.C., and has also met him several times at various air shows in Europe. [redacted] stated that he really did not know the appointee until the last two years, when the appointee became a member of the Board of Directors. He indicated that the appointee is still an active member of the Board of Directors, and he maintains only a business relationship with him.

[redacted] characterized the appointee as proper, strong and dignified. He stated that the appointee appears to be financially stable and is living within his means. [redacted] indicated that he would "feel very comfortable" if the appointee became Secretary of Defense. This is because he feels that the appointee is a very strong and capable man. [redacted] does not believe that there would be a conflict of interest due to the appointee's past affiliation with various defense contractors, nor would British Aerospace expect to receive special or partial treatment. [redacted] stated that he does not know the appointee's associates outside the business setting, but stated the appointee associates with only "senior type executives" of similar character in the business environment. He is not aware of any contacts or associations that the appointee might have with foreigners or foreign nationals. The appointee is considered able to handle classified information in a safe and discrete manner.

[redacted] advised he never saw the appointee abused alcohol or prescription drugs, nor to use illegal drugs. He did indicate that he has seen the appointee have a single glass of wine while attending social functions, but has never seen him intoxicated. He further indicated he has never heard the appointee divulge classified information while drinking. He stated he has no knowledge of any alleged sexual indiscretions that the appointee may have had either in the U.S or abroad.

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[] stated he considered the appointee emotionally stable, and that he is not aware of any mental incapacities on the part of the appointee. He has never heard or seen any instance of prejudice or bias concerning the appointee. [] advised he is not aware of any illegal campaign contributions or spending, nor any illegal activity concerning banking.

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[] stated he would definitely consider the appointee a loyal American citizen, and would recommend him to a position of trust and confidence with the United States Government.

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Pergamon Brassey's International
Defense Publishers Inc.
1340 Old Chain Bridge Road
McLean, Virginia

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent (SA) [redacted] on December 7, 1988:

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[redacted] Pergamon Brassey's International Defense Publishers, McLean, Virginia, advised that JOHN G. TOWER continues in the position of Chairman of the Board of this corporation. She advised that he is expected to remain in this position until he receives a nomination or appointment to the Federal Government.

[redacted] stated neither she or anyone else at the company has had sufficient contact with TOWER personally to comment concerning him. Much of their dealings have been with his assistant, and their contact with him has been sporadic.

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MISCELLANEOUS

Hill and Knowlton
(Formerly known as Gray and Company)

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent [redacted] on December 9, 1988, regarding the appointee JOHN GOODWIN TOWER.

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[redacted] Hill and Knowlton, 901 31st Street, N.W., Washington, D.C., telephone number [redacted] was interviewed and stated that Hill and Knowlton, formerly known as Gray and Company, is a public relations and lobbying firm. He advised that the appointee was a member of the board of directors in late 1985 yearly 1986 when the firm was known as Gray and Company. [redacted] indicated that the appointee's membership on the board ceased when Gray and Company was merged into Hill and Knowlton. [redacted] stated that the appointee did not hold any office positions but did have the power to vote. [redacted] first met the appointee at two or three board meetings at Gray and Company and has known the appointee in a professional context. [redacted] advised that in his opinion the appointee is a "competant and intelligent individual." He indicated that the appointee performed his duties well as a board member and was thought of highly by all.

[redacted] is not aware of any negative or derogatory information in connection with the appointee or his associates and knows of no prescription drug abuse, nor any use, purchase or sale of illegal drugs. He is unaware of any excess alcohol consumption nor mental incapacities, including any suicidal tendencies, and believes the appointee to be in good mental and physical health. [redacted] had no knowledge of any sexual improprieties, illegal campaign contributions or spending, illegal activities concerning banking. He saw no potential conflicts of interest in lite of the appointee's past work for various defense contractors. [redacted] stated that he has not seen any indications that the appointee is biased or prejudiced towards any individual or group.

[redacted] indicated that he believes the appointee to be loyal to the United States Government, and recommended him for a position of trust and confidence with the government.

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Mr. JACK L. STEPLER, Vice President, Washington Operations, LTV Aerospace and Defense Company, 1725 Jefferson Davis Highway, Suite #900, Arlington (Crystal City), Virginia, (703)521-6560, was interviewed in his office. After an appropriate display of credentials, Mr. STEPLER was informed that Senator JOHN TOWER was undergoing a routine government suitability background-type investigation and that his name had been developed during the course of this inquiry as someone who is knowledgeable concerning him. Mr. STEPLER furnished the following information.

Mr. STEPLER advised that LTV, which began in its infancy as "LING, TEMCO & VAUGHN", is a Dallas, Texas, based diversified manufacturing company involved in steel, aerospace, defense and energy products, with 48,000 employees nationwide. He stated that the company has now dropped the names associated with the initials, and is simply known as the initials, "LTV", or The LTV Corporation.

Mr. STEPLER advised that he met Senator TOWER in the late 1960's, having been General Counsel to the Air Force and Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Office of the Secretary of Defense and had become acquainted with him on a professional basis relative to defense and military issues as they pertained to Congress, the U.S. Senate and the Department of Defense.

Mr. STEPLER advised, however, Senator TOWER is not now nor has he ever been, a confidant or personal friend.

Mr. STEPLER advised that Senator TOWER is currently a consultant for LTV and the thrust of his work is relative to the sale of Multi Launch Rocket Systems (MLRS) overseas, primarily to Turkey and Pakistan.

Mr. STEPLER advised that he, himself, is not in possession of any type of security file or receptacle for Senator TOWER. He stated that if a security file had been created for him, it would be maintained in the corporate headquarters, in Dallas, Texas.

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Mr. STEMLER advised that Senator TOWER is on the Board of Directors of the American portion of British Aerospace Corporation.

Further, Senator TOWER is a consultant to Martin Marietta Corporation.

Mr. STEMLER described Senator TOWER as extraordinarily patriotic, articulate, outspoken, one possessing conservative political views, one who believes in a strong military, and one who is "skeptical of the Soviets". He is an impeccable dresser and fond of English clothes.

Mr. STEMLER advised that he had only met Senator TOWER's second wife, but not his first wife. He remarked that Senator TOWER had quite a difficult divorce of his second wife.

Mr. STEMLER advised that Senator TOWER is reliable, bright, and one who possesses excellent and impeccable character. Mr. STEMLER emphasized that the appointee had a good reputation and had served in the public's best interest, with distinction. Mr. STEMLER stated that he knows of no excessive use or dependency on alcohol, although Senator TOWER drinks wine in moderation. He has no reason to believe that Senator TOWER would divulge sensitive or classified information after indulging in the use of wine. He knows of no mental or emotional problems that could potentially lead to suicide.

Mr. STEMLER knows of no use of narcotics or illegal drugs, to include the use of marijuana by Senator TOWER. Mr. STEMLER stated that the appointee has no biases or prejudices toward any religious group, racial group or other special group of persons. Mr. STEMLER continued that the appointee is not a threat to the security of the United States nor would he be an embarrassment to the President or the United States Government. Mr. STEMLER stated that he knows of no physical, emotional or financial handicaps which would be a potential for security compromise. Mr. STEMLER stated that he would have only complimentary, favorable and positive remarks to make with respect to the appointee's character, friends and associates, reputation, loyalty and ethics. Mr. STEMLER stated that he considers the appointee to live within his means.

Mr. STEMLER knows of no potential conflict of interest considerations, in spite of his work for and association with various defense contractors. Mr. STEMLER stated that LTV would terminate any and all consultant-type contracts that may or might be held, if he were to receive a sensitive U.S. Government job.

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Mr. STEMLER knows of no illegal campaign contributions or spending. He stated that all LTV contributions were made in compliance with the law and the Federal Elections Commission (FEC).

Mr. STEMLER knew of no sexual indiscretions in the United States or abroad; but, qualified this by stating that he and Senator TOWER do not discuss their personal lives with each other.

Mr. STEMLER knew of no illegal activities on behalf of Senator TOWER while he was an officer of the Republic Bank Corporation, Dallas, Texas, which subsequently failed.

In conclusion, Mr. STEMLER stated that he would certainly recommend Senator TOWER for a sensitive U.S. Government position. *

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Mr. JOHN J. WELCH, Jr., Assistant Secretary of the Air Force, Acquisition, Office of the Secretary, United States Air Force, SAF/AQ, The Pentagon-4E964, (202) 697-6361, was interviewed in his office. After an appropriate display of credentials, Secretary WELCH was informed that Senator JOHN TOWER was undergoing a routine government suitability background-type investigation and that his name had been developed during the course of this inquiry as someone who is knowledgeable concerning him. Secretary WELCH provided the following information.

Secretary WELCH met Senator JOHN TOWER when he, himself, was employed with The LTV Corporation in Dallas, Texas, and they became acquainted through WELCH's normal professional liaison with the Congress and the Senate. They have maintained a predominantly (almost 100%) professional relationship ever since, mostly regarding military hardware topics, but during occasional get-togethers, they have discussed general Texas business interests.

"Contrary to the media, TOWER is really a pretty quiet guy." "He does a lot of listening, and he is a good planner". "He has an appreciation for U.S. and international markets", Secretary WELCH said. Secretary WELCH characterized Senator TOWER as being loyal and patriotic as a United States citizen.

Secretary WELCH stated that Senator TOWER "is his own man" and makes up his own mind and makes decisions which are not always popular in the minds of others. Secretary WELCH stated that even though he may not have agreed with certain of Senator TOWER's decisions, he always saw the decision as being made in the best interests of the United States' defense posture.

Secretary WELCH advised that by protocol, all Presidential appointees, such as himself, prepare, in December, following an election, a resignation letter to the President. The letter includes either an intent to resign on a specific, effective date; or an open-ended time, or undated. When the latter occurs, the appointees are contacted to determine

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whether they would be desirous of consideration to 1.) remain in the same position; or 2.) serve at the discretion of the President in the incoming Administration. In his case, he prepared his resignation without a date.

The Secretary of the United States Air Force is officially resigning from the Administration, effective December 16, 1988.

Secretary WELCH advised that he had asked Senator TOWER for his advice about the wisdom of taking his present job. According to Secretary WELCH, Senator TOWER told him that he thought that to take the job would be the right choice, and that he would support him. However, they do not have much involvement as friends, and that they do not have any local, mutual friends. Further, he has not even talked, whatsoever, to Senator TOWER since last summer. For this reason, he knows of no favors or allegiance owed by one to the other.

His definition of social contact was interface during non-working hours, all within the realm, however, of the military or defense field, such as office luncheons or parties.

Secretary WELCH stated that he is only casually aware of the divorce between Senator TOWER and his second wife. While he knows none of the details (because he and Senator TOWER do not have that kind of relationship), he has no reason to suspect Senator TOWER of any sexual indiscretions, either in the United States or abroad, particularly while he was in Geneva, Switzerland, in 1985 through 1986. Secretary WELCH emphasized that the appointee had a good reputation and had served in the country's best interest, with distinction.

Secretary WELCH stated that he knows of no excessive use or dependency on alcohol. He has only seen Senator TOWER enjoy a glass or two of wine, during social encounters. He has never seen Senator TOWER misbehave or act inappropriately. He has no reason to believe that Senator TOWER would divulge sensitive or classified information after indulging in the use of wine.

Secretary WELCH knows of no use of narcotics or illegal drugs, to include the use of marijuana by Senator TOWER.

Secretary WELCH stated that the appointee has no biases or prejudices toward any religious group, racial group or other special group of persons. Secretary WELCH elaborated that Senator TOWER's staff was well represented by minorities.

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Secretary WELCH continued that the appointee is not a threat to the security of the United States nor would he be an embarrassment to the President or the United States Government.

Secretary WELCH stated that he knows of no physical, or financial handicaps which would be a potential for security compromise. Secretary WELCH stated that he knew of no mental or emotional problems which could result in suicide. On the contrary, he considers him to be a very serious gentleman with no mental problems. Secretary WELCH stated that he would have only complimentary, favorable and positive remarks to make with respect to Senator TOWER's character, friends and associates, reputation, loyalty and ethics.

Secretary WELCH stated that despite some personal, marital, and family problems, he considers Senator TOWER to live well within his means.

Secretary WELCH knew of no previous or current, genuine concern for conflict of interest, in spite of his association with defense contractors.

Although contributions were made to Senator TOWER's re-election campaign by political action committees in The LTV Corporation, all contributions, according to Secretary WELCH, were made in compliance with the law and the Federal Election Commission.

Secretary WELCH advised that he was unaware of any illegal activities involving Senator TOWER while he was an officer of the Republic Bank Corporation, Dallas, Texas, which subsequently failed. Secretary WELCH reiterated that his relationship with Senator TOWER was not such that he would have occasion to know of this kind of thing.

Secretary WELCH volunteered that he and Senator TOWER have a mutual friend, who is an attorney, in Dallas, Texas, by the name of [redacted] who can be reached through the following telephone numbers, (office) [redacted] and (home) [redacted]

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In conclusion, Secretary WELCH stated that he would certainly recommend Senator TOWER for a sensitive U.S. Government position.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent [] on December 6, 1988, regarding the appointee, JOHN GOODWIN TOWER. b6 b7C

[] Jefferson Hotel, 1200 16th Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. stated that she has known the appointee on a social basis for at least ten years, and that he has made the Jefferson Hotel his Washington residence since his separation approximately two years ago.

[] described the appointee's associates as "first class" and stated he is of good character, reputation, and is very well liked by the staff of the hotel. According to [] the appointee has a "steady personality" and seemed to handle his divorce well although he did not discuss it with his neighbors. She further described the appointee as a fascinating, intellectual man who she believes to be enormously patriotic and very dedicated to serving his country.

In regard to his use of alcohol [] said he has an occasional glass of vintage wine at night and does not drink to the point of intoxication, use or distributed illegal drugs or abuse prescription drugs. [] knew of nothing in the appointee's background or lifestyle that could compromise him, despite what she "has read in the paper." [] has observed nothing indicative of racial, ethnic or religious prejudice on his part.

[] denied the appointee suffers financial difficulties, knew nothing of his banking activities or anything that could constitute a conflict of interest on his part. [] stated she would feel pride to have the appointee in a leadership position and recommended him for a position of trust with the Government. *

On December 8, 1988, [] was recontacted and was unable to provide names of other residents or guests who are acquainted with the appointee. [] advised that the other two suites in the hotel are held by companies, not permanent residents.

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[redacted] after having been advised of the identity of the interviewing agents and the nature of the interview, provided the following information:

She recalls her introduction to the appointee as having been shortly after he became a Senator, the appointee and his first wife being invited to a party at the interviewee's home, this event taking place in roughly 1960.

She characterized the appointee as "not very conversational, always very quiet, (and as) not very exuberant about life."

When asked to comment upon the appointee's reputation, she responded that she has met the appointee only four times in person, and thus, much of her knowledge of the appointee is based on hearsay. She advised that the appointee has always had a reputation as an alcoholic, although, "I've never seen him drunk to my knowledge; I've never seen him with another woman to my knowledge." She is aware of no work-related problems of the appointee.

The appointee is a loyal American citizen to her knowledge, but with respect to his associates, she has no real knowledge. She mentioned that she gave the appointee and his second wife's wedding reception in her old home and recalls seeing no one of questionable character.

When asked as to whether it was her belief that the appointee was emotionally stable, [redacted] responded, "I don't know him (well enough) to say yes or no." She did stipulate, however, that she is aware of no episodes of depression experienced by the appointee.

Regarding the appointee's financial stability, she has no independent knowledge, commenting that all that she knows is what she has been told by LILLA CUMMINGS TOWER.

Regarding the appointee's potential abuse of alcohol, prescription drugs, or drugs of abuse, she commented that she had seen the appointee drink a couple of glasses of white wine on one occasion but that she has never seen him drunk. She has no knowledge of any prescription drug abuse, illegal drug use or sale of drugs by the appointee.

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She knows of no foreign contacts of the appointee which would be considered unusual in any kind of a national security sense nor of any radical or adverse political associations on the appointee's part. She believes the appointee would have no problems dealing effectively with sensitive information and has not known him to manifest any evidence of prejudice or bias.

When asked as to whether she was aware of any derogatory information concerning the appointee, she responded that she does not know him well enough to know things of that nature, knowing only what his former second wife, LILLA, has told her or hearsay around town. She did speculate that she has never seen him in a compromising position with a woman or a non-compromising situation with a woman other than his wife. She has no knowledge of any party at the JEFFERSON HOTEL at or about the time of the TOWER Commission report on the Iran Contra matter.

She has no personal knowledge of any aspect of the appointee's past that would render him susceptible to any kind of a coercive effort nor of any conflict of interest regarding the appointee.

When asked as to whether she was in the position to comment upon the appointee's interaction with his own family, she responded that her only knowledge of these matters was gleaned from LILLA TOWER, although she is aware that LILLA was initially "madly in love with him, thought the sun rose and set on JOHN TOWER." Regarding the appointee's falling out with his wife, her understanding was that it was as the result of the appointee "going out" with other people and "drinking heavily." She has, however, no first hand knowledge of any impropriety regarding the appointee.

When asked as to whether she was in the position to recommend the appointee for a position of trust and confidence with the United States Government, she responded that she does not know the appointee well enough to give him a positive recommendation, although, "to my knowledge, he's never done anything detrimental."

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SAMUEL CUMMINGS, Chief Executive Officer, INTERARMS, #10 Prince Street, Alexandria, Virginia, telephone number 548-1400, was advised of the identity of the interviewing agent and the purpose of the interview. CUMMINGS provided the following information:

CUMMINGS advised that he first met the appointee approximately twelve years ago, in London, England, in a hotel where they were both staying, for unrelated business. He is familiar with the appointee strictly on a social basis, although did associate with him on one occasion, on a professional basis. This professional basis was in the January of 1987, when the appointee asked CUMMINGS to testify in the Iran Contra Hearings, as an expert witness, in international arms dealings. CUMMINGS was asked to provide details on how private arms, on an international basis, are bought and sold. CUMMINGS had no direct contact, other than in the context of the hearings, with the appointee. CUMMINGS associated with the appointee, on a occasional basis, during the time the appointee was married to his sister, LILLA BURT CUMMINGS TOWER. He had dinner with the appointee and Mrs. TOWER one to two times a year during their marriage. The last contact CUMMINGS had with the appointee was by telephone, in Geneva, sometime in 1985. He had called the appointee to ask if he, Mrs. TOWER and his Russian counterpart [redacted] would like to come up and visit them, in their house, which was only a few hours from where the START talks were being held. The appointee, at that time, advised that he would like to come up to CUMMINGS' home. Shortly after that time, the appointee and his wife were separated, and the meeting never took place.

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CUMMINGS characterized the appointee as a capable politician, and "in a political sense, gave me the impression that he knew his onions." The appointee was not very technically versed, but he never pretended to be. Although he heard the rumors regarding the appointee's alcohol abuse, and womanizing, through the press, CUMMINGS is not aware of anything derogatory, that he has witnessed firsthand, regarding the appointee. The appointee appeared to have a good reputation, amongst his associates, although CUMMINGS was not familiar with his constituents other than some of his staff member.

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CUMMINGS personally, never saw the appointee drink "even as much as a glass of wine". The appointee was never known to use any illegal drugs nor to abuse prescription drugs or any alcohol of any nature. The appointee lives well within his financial means and "always gave me the impression as being very economical". The appointee was emotionally stable, at the time that CUMMINGS was familiar with him.

The appointee never displayed any indication of being bias or prejudice toward any groups or individuals, for any reason, while in the presence of CUMMINGS. CUMMINGS had no reason to question the appointee's loyalty or dedication to the United States Government.

Although CUMMINGS has heard allegations of sexual indiscretions, and womanizing through the press, he has no personal knowledge of the appointee being involved in anything of that nature. When asked whether he had ever seen the appointee severely depressed or heard him speak of suicide, CUMMINGS indicated that the appointee always seemed to be in a great mood, when he saw him. The appointee never indicated nor mentioned suicide in his presence.

CUMMINGS advised that although he heard the appointee was on several boards, and was a consultant to several aerospace companies, he is not aware of any major conflicts of interests that presently exist. He surmised that the appointee would resign from any compromising position, and further stated that he felt there was probably nobody in his position, that would not have at least some contacts, with corporations of that nature. CUMMINGS was not familiar with any illegal campaign contributions or spending, and advised he would have no way to know any of this.

When asked whether he would recommend the appointee, CUMMINGS advised that "he would be a good man to handle the Congress, whether he would be a good man to handle the Defense Department, I am not sure." The appointee could "be a helpful ally to the White House". CUMMINGS further advised that he had no personal knowledge of anything, that would cause him not to recommend the appointee, for a position of trust and confidence with the United States Government. He further advised, though, if any of the allegations regarding alcohol abuse, were proven to be true, he would have serious reservations as far as the appointee, successfully discharging his duties.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent (SA) [redacted] on December 8, 1988, regarding the appointee, JOHN GOODWIN TOWER.

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[redacted] The Heritage Foundation, 214 Massachusetts Avenue, N.E., Washington, D. C., comments on behalf of the Heritage Foundation regarding the nomination of the appointee for the position of Secretary of Defense. [redacted] informed that the Heritage Foundation is very enthusiastic on the prospect of the appointment and comfortable with the appointee's policy prescriptions on defense matters. [redacted] further stated that he has known the appointee in a professional and political capacity since approximately 1965 when he [redacted]

[redacted] described the appointee as thoughtful and intense and expressed no doubt about his good character or the caliber of his associates. [redacted] advised that his reputation was that of a knowledgeable, competent Senator who was considered arrogant by some. [redacted] said in light of the appointee's intellectual background and knowledge, he may have been entitled to some degree of arrogance. [redacted] has observed the appointee at social gatherings and stated he drank socially, but never to excess. [redacted] did not believe the appointee is in any way involved with illegal drugs and does not abuse prescription drugs. According to [redacted] the appointee is emotionally stable and probably doing well financially with consulting fees since he left the U.S. Senate, but had no further knowledge of his financial or banking activity.

[redacted] has observed nothing indicative of racial, ethnic, or religious prejudice on the part of the appointee, and aside from what he has "read in the paper", does not know whether the appointee has been involved in any personal indiscretions that could place him in a compromising position. [redacted] has no doubts about the appointee's loyalty to the United States and recommended him highly for the appointment in question. *

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent (SA) [redacted] in Washington, D.C. (WDC):

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On December 5, 1988, ALTHEA SIMMONS, Director and Chief Lobbyist for the NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE (NAACP), 1025 Vermont Avenue, N.W., WDC, telephone number 638-2269, advised that she has known the appointee, JOHN G. TOWER, for approximately ten years, having met him while he was in the Senate and she was lobbying there. She stated that she does not know him personally and that her knowledge of him is by his professional reputation. She stated that his character, associates, reputation and loyalty to the United States are all beyond reproach. She advised that she had never seen any indication of illegal drug use or alcohol abuse by the appointee. She further stated that the appointee has never expressed or manifested any bias or prejudice against any individual or group based on sex, race, color, religion, national origin, handicap, or age. She stated that the appointee is the type of person who is capable of handling classified and sensitive materials. She stated that the appointee enjoys a good reputation as a politician and further described him as not being a liberal. She advised that she has no knowledge of his campaign financing or spending and that she is not in a position to comment further or make any recommendations.

[redacted] Leadership Conference on Civil Rights, 2027 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W., WDC, telephone number [redacted] advised that he does not know the appointee.

On December 6, 1988, [redacted] Administrative Assistant to [redacted] NATIONAL URBAN LEAGUE, INC., 425 13th Street, N.W., WDC, telephone number [redacted] advised that [redacted] does not know the appointee.

On December 7, 1988, [redacted] NATIONAL ORGANIZATION OF BLACK LAW ENFORCEMENT EXECUTIVES (NOBLE), 1221 Pennsylvania Avenue, S.E., WDC, telephone number [redacted] advised that she has no knowledge of the appointee. She further advised that none of the members of the Executive Board for this organization have a knowledge of the appointee.

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On December 7, 1988, [REDACTED]
WASHINGTON URBAN LEAGUE, INC., 3501 14th Street, N.W., WDC,
telephone number [REDACTED] advised that she does not have any
personal knowledge of the appointee. She also checked with the
other officers of this organization who were in the office and
none have any knowledge of the appointee. It should be noted
that BETTY WHALEY, President, is on extended sick leave and DIANE
FLANANGAN-MONTGOMERY, Executive Vice-President, is out of town at
a conference. [REDACTED] was the [REDACTED] in their absence.

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MISCELLANEOUS

Efforts to contact the president of COMMON CAUSE, 2030 M Street N.W., Washington, D.C., for official comments on the potential appointment of JOHN GOODWIN TOWER to the post of Secretary of Defense, were unsuccessful. Repeated attempts to make contact over several days met with no response.

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[redacted] American Security Council (ASC), 499 South Capitol Street, Washington, D.C., provided comments on behalf of the ASC regarding the nomination of the appointee for the position of Secretary of Defense. [redacted] stated there was no limit on the praise they could offer for the appointee, as he has played "historic role in The Strategic Modernization Program" as a U.S. Senator. [redacted] informed that the appointee has given his support to the organizations as a Chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee on many occasions and has held the same positions on political issues as the ASC. [redacted] further stated that all other pro-defense organization in Washington support the appointee's nomination.

[redacted] advised that he had read in the media that the appointee is being considered for the position of Secretary of Defense.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent (SA) [redacted] on December 6, 1988, regarding the appointee, JOHN GOODWIN TOWER:

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[redacted] Metropolitan Club, 17th and H Street, N.W., Washington, D.C., advised that the appointee became a member in February, 1981. [redacted] stated that membership requires that an individual be "proposed" by two current members, "supported" by eight others, and make an appearance before the Metropolitan Club Board of Governors for consideration. [redacted] informed that the club no longer denies membership to women, and does not restrict membership on the basis of sex, race, religion, natural origin, age or handicap. The Metropolitan Club is a social organization.

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DEFENSE CONTRACT AUDIT AGENCY

Building 4
Cameron Station
Alexandria, Virginia

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent (SA) [] on December 7, 1988:

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[] Defense Contract Audit Agency, advised that he has searched the files of the Defense Contract Audit Agency concerning JOHN G. TOWER, and has found that these records contain no derogatory information concerning the appointee. These files reveal that the appointee has worked as a Consultant to several major Defense Contractors. TOWER's name surfaced as having supplied consulting services to several of these contractors who were audited by this agency following the revelation of the recent "Illwind" investigation by the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI). Nothing negative surfaced concerning the appointee in this connection, although in several cases, the cost of his consulting was not specifically listed by the Contractor. [] repeated that this does not reflect adversely on the appointee.

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RECORDS CHECK

The following investigation was conducted by SA

[redacted] regarding the appointee, JOHN GOODWIN TOWER:

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NAVAL INVESTIGATIVE SERVICE (NIS)
4600 Silver Hill Road
Room 300 NIC-1
Suitland, Maryland

[redacted] Investigations
and Operations, advised on November 29, 1988, that a query of
the Defense Central Investigations Index (DCII) as well as
NIS'S Case Control System (CCS) was negative for the appointee.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent (SA) [redacted] regarding the appointee, JOHN GOODWIN TOWER:

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
Office of the Inspector General
Special Inquiry
400 Army-Navy Drive
Room 1027
Arlington, Virginia

[redacted] Programs Support Office, advised on November 30, 1988, that she could find no record regarding JOHN GOODWIN TOWER; date of birth, September 29, 1925; Social Security Number, 451-46-9866.

THE PENTAGON
Office of the Secretary of Defense
Security Branch
Room 3B347
Washington, D. C.

[redacted] Secretary, advised on November 30, 1988, that she could locate no record regarding JOHN GOODWIN TOWER; date of birth, September 29, 1925; Social Security Number, 451-46-9886.

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U.S. Department of Education

330 C Street, S.W.,
Washington, D.C.

On December 9, 1988, the following investigation was conducted by Investigative Assistant (IA) [redacted] concerning the appointee, JOHN GOODWIN TOWER.

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[redacted] Office of the Inspector General, advised that no identifiable record could be located regarding the applicant.

[redacted] Office of Security, advised that no identifiable record could be located regarding the applicant.

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STATE AND FEDERALLY CHARTERED BANKS

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent [REDACTED] on December 6, 1988, concerning the appointee JOHN GOODWIN TOWER.

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[REDACTED] Special Activities Section, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, reviewed the records of his office and advised that there is nothing in the files regarding the appointee.

[REDACTED] Enforcement Technician, Federal Reserve Board, stated that she checked her data base and there was no information on the appointee.

[REDACTED] Enforcement and Compliance, Comptroller of Currency, reviewed his office files and said that nothing adverse regarding the appointee was contained therein.

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION (FEC)

999 E Street, N.W.,
Washington, D.C.

On December 6, 1988, Investigative Assistant [redacted] [redacted] conducted the following investigation at the above captioned agency concerning the appointee, JOHN GOODWIN TOWER. [redacted]

[redacted] Attorney, Office of the General Counsel and [redacted]

[redacted] Public Disclosure Division, advised that TOWER has not appeared as a respondent in any enforcement action conducted by FEC, nor has he been named as a defendant in any court cases pursued by FEC. However, there are numerous reports pertaining to mandatory financial reporting requirements for the campaign committee(s) with which the appointee was associated. No civil or criminal actions were taken against the appointee pursuant to these financial reporting requirements by FEC.

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U.S. ATTORNEY'S OFFICE
555 4th Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C.

On December 6, 1988, Investigative Assistant (IA) [] contacted [] of the pending and closed cases of the Special Prosecution, Trial and Grand Jury Divisions of the above agency. [] advised that no identifiable record could be located regarding the appointee, JOHN TOWER GOODWIN.

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On December 6, 1988, IA [] caused a search to be made of the pending and closed cases of the Civil Division of the above agency. [] advised that no identifiable record could be located regarding the appointee. It should be noted that the index system of the Civil Division, U.S. Attorney's Office contains only names of plaintiffs, except in civil actions brought by the United States against a particular defendant. Suits against government employees who are represented by the United States Attorney would be filed by plaintiff's name and docket number.

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DIVORCE RECORDS

SUPERIOR COURT
500 Indiana Avenue, N.W.,
Washington, D.C.

On December 6, 1988, Investigative Assistant []
[] contacted [] of the above captioned agency
concerning the appointee, JOHN GOODWIN TOWER. She advised that a
computer printout indicated that the docket number is D-1403-86.
However, she is unable to locate the divorce file and
that the information obtained from the record indicated that on
December 6, 1988, the file was charged out to []
Representative from the Washington Post, Telephone number
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No further information was obtained.

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A review of divorce record number D-1403-86 located at the Superior Court, Domestic Relations Branch, 500 Indiana Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. disclosed the following pertinent information:

On June 2, 1986, LILLA BURT CUMMINGS TOWER, 20 Kalorama Circle, N.W., Washington, D.C., Plaintiff, filed a complaint for an absolute divorce against JOHN GOODWIN TOWER, 3525 Turtle Creek, Apartment 21B, Dallas, Texas, Defendant, on grounds of voluntary separation for more than six months without cohabitation and no hope of reconciliation.

The parties were married on May 29, 1977 in Dallas, Texas and no children were born of this marriage.

On September 10, 1987, it was ordered, adjudged and decreed that an absolute divorce be granted the Plaintiff on grounds as stated above.

Attached are the following copies: (1) Motion to Place Deposition of JOHN G. TOWER Under Seal, (2) Letter from [redacted] to Honorable SYLVIA BACON, Superior Court for the District of Columbia (Dated: 9/23/87), (3) Certificate of Divorce (File number D01403-86), (4) Complaint for Absolute Divorce, (5) Motion to Enlarge Time to Conduct Discovery, (6) Praecipe (Dated: 1/30/87), (7) Order, (8) Request for Continuance, (9) Plaintiff's First Set of Interrogatories to Defendant, (10) Plaintiff's Exhibit A (Financial Statement), (11) Appendix A, (12) Plaintiff's Opposition to Defendant's Motion for Leave to File Amended Answer and Counterclaim, (13) Reply to Plaintiff's Opposition to Defendant's Motion for Leave to File Amended Answer and Counterclaim, (14) Plaintiff's Response to Defendant's First Request for Production of Documents, (15) Motion for Leave to File Amended Answer and Counterclaim, (16) Amended Answer and Counterclaim of JOHN GOODWIN TOWER, (17) Defendant's Response to Plaintiff's Request for Production of Documents, (18) Defendant's Response to Plaintiff's First Set of Interrogatories, (19) Motion to Designate Domestic Relations-I, (20) Consent to Motion to Designate Domestic Relations-I, (21) Order, (22) Defendant's Opposition to Plaintiff's Motion for Commission to Take Disposition of Out-of-State Witness, (23) Order, (24) Decree of Divorce, and (25) Qualifying Domestic Relations Order.

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by IA [redacted] MJL:mjl Date dictated 12/8/88

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DIVORCE RECORDS

The appropriate divorce records pertaining to this investigation, as listed on previous page (FD-302), were furnished to Bureau via routing slip dated December 8, 1988.

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CREDIT AND POLICE AGENCIES

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Lead Clerk [] caused a search to be made of the files of the Credit Bureau, Incorporated, Silver Spring, Maryland, on December 6, 1988. A credit record was located for the appointee which revealed that an account with Nieman-Marcus, Dallas, Texas, is listed in a "dispute-resolution pending" status and an account with Garfinkle's, Washington, D. C., rated as R-9, a bad debt and/or placed for collection. No additional information is available concerning those accounts. It should be noted that appropriate leads have been set to resolve the above-mentioned matter.

On December 7, 1988, a query was made in the Washington Area Law Enforcement System (WALES) computer and it was determined that no record was located at the Metropolitan Police Department concerning the appointee.

It is to be noted that at all times an indefinite number of unidentified records may not be in the computer and not available for review.

On December 7, 1988, Investigative Assistant (IA) [] determined that there is no record of violations contained in the files of the Department of Transportation, Bureau of Motor Vehicle Services, Government of the District of Columbia, concerning the appointee.

On December 7, 1988, a computerized check of the Central Criminal Records Exchange (CCRE/VCIN), Virginia State Police (VSP), Richmond, Virginia, failed to reflect any information identifiable with the appointee.

On December 8, 1988, a computerized check of the Department of Motor Vehicles, Richmond, Virginia, revealed no information concerning the appointee.

IA [] caused a search to be made of the files of the Fairfax County, Virginia, Police Department and was advised on December 8, 1988, that no record was located for the appointee.

On December 8, 1988, IA [] caused search to be made of the files of the Fairfax, Virginia, City Police Department and was advised that no record was located concerning the appointee.

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CREDIT

Garfinckle's
1401 F Street N.W.
Washington, D.C.

On December 9, 1988, the following investigation was conducted by Special Agent [redacted] regarding the appointee, JOHN GOODWIN TOWER.

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[redacted] assistant credit manager, Garfinckle's, advised that account number 90328116, belonging to the appointee, had been charged off on November, 1984, after being delinquent for 150 days. The outstanding balance at that time was \$197.17. She indicated that the account has been paid off since, but was unable to give the exact dates because all of the records are on micro film, which would take approximately a week to retrieve. [redacted] advised that all other relative information concerning that account are also on micro film and would require time to obtain. She stated that she would make the documents available as soon as possible.

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AGENCY CHECK

IA caused a search to be made of the files of the United States Secret Service, Department of the Treasury, and was advised on December 8, 1988, that the appointee is a current White Pass holder and no derogatory information was found.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

10th and Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C.

On 12-8-88, [redacted] Paralegal Clerk, Office of
Professional Responsibility, DOJ, advised Investigative Assistant [redacted]
that No identifiable record could be located regarding appointee, JOHN
GOODWIN TOWER.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

PUBLIC INTEGRITY SECTION
Criminal Division
1400 New York Avenue N.W.
Washington, D.C.

On December 9, 1988 [redacted] Chief Secretary,
PUBLIC INTEGRITY SECTION (PIS), DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE (DOJ)
advised Investigative Assistant (IA) [redacted] that [redacted]
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The following information was obtained from an index
card record at PIS:

FILE NO. 186-74-0

[redacted] SENATOR JOHN TOWER
STARR COUNTY, TEXAS

1/20/83 1/17/83: Memo to [redacted] from [redacted]
[redacted] Voting Section, enclosing letter from [redacted]
regarding voter fraud in Starr County

6/15/83 6/15/83: Letter to [redacted] from [redacted] (Elections
Branch) sent out - specific information should be brought to the
attention of the FBI

7/21/83 7/22/83: Memo to [redacted] from [redacted] with letter to
SENATOR TOWER sent out to [redacted] for signature

FILE NO. 186-76-0
TOWER, JOHN (SENATOR)

3/17/80: Letter to ALAN PARKER, Assistant Attorney General,
Legislative Affairs, from TOWER, dated 3/6/80, regarding [redacted]
[redacted]

4/17/80: Memo to "JHH" from "CCD" as background to above

4/21/80: Letter to TOWER sent to [redacted] for signing

TOWER SENATE CLUB

5/19/80: Letter to "JHH" from MULROY, IRS, enclosing campaign
literature received by IRS employees at their official address
for disposition

5/27/80: Letter from [redacted] by [redacted] sent to MULROY,
Director IRS. We have sent a warning concerning this activity to

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the TOWER Club. also thanking Mr. MULROY for bringing this matter to our attention b6 b7C

Received 6/9/80: carbon copy of letter from [REDACTED]
TOWER Senate Club, to [REDACTED] Communications Specialist,
requesting name of IRS employee be taken off list

FILE NO. 72-017-76
TOWER, JOHN

See: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] BAREFOOT SANDERS
JOHN TOWER, Candidates, U.S. SENATE
San Antonio, Texas

12/8/72: FBI Memo of 12/4/72 (files 2/3/73)

On December 9, 1988, IA DAY was advised by [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] PIS, that further information regarding the above must be
obtained from the actual files (#'s 186-74-0, 186-76-0, and 72-
017-76) . [REDACTED] stated effective this date she would request the
files from the Federal Records Center to be sent to her at PIS.
[REDACTED] stated she would advise the FBI IA when the files arrive at
her office for review.

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[REDACTED]

Referral/Consult

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The following investigation was conducted by
Supervisory Special Agent [REDACTED] on November 29, 1988:

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JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF INQUIRY

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent (SA) [redacted] regarding the appointee, JOHN GOODWIN TOWER: b6 per b7C FBI

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Former Senator JOHN TOWER, 2101 L Street, Northwest, Washington, D.C., was advised of the identity of the interviewing agents and that it was necessary to ask him additional questions to complete the background investigation currently being conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI).

TOWER was asked to waive the Attorney-Client Privilege and allow agents of the FBI to speak to his attorney in connection with his divorce and also in connection with all other aspects of this investigation. TOWER advised that, before waiving this Attorney-Client Privilege, he would need to speak to his attorney privately. He would advise the FBI in the near future of his response to this question.

TOWER was advised that the FBI believes that the divorce record for his September, 1987, divorce at Washington, D.C., is sealed under court order and is unavailable for review. TOWER stated that he does not recall anything indicating that this divorce decree was sealed and he suggested that his attorney, who has an office in the same building, be allowed to join in this conversation. Moments later, [redacted] of the firm Dickstein, Shapiro and Morin, joined the conversation. [redacted] advised that the entire divorce file is not under court order, but rather only the final property settlement between TOWER and his former wife is sealed. Other pertinent documents which are part of this file, should be available for review and should already be part of the public record. TOWER provided to the interviewing agents one copy of the Complaint for Absolute Divorce between himself and LILLA BURT CUMMINGS TOWER filed at Washington, D.C., on May 30, 1986. He also provided one copy of Plaintiff's First Set of Interrogatories to Defendant which was dated April 22, 1987. Both documents indicate they come from jacket number 1403-86, and are filed with the Superior Court of the District of Columbia. In addition, although he began giving a deposition, he recalls this deposition having been stopped in the middle when both parties decided to make another attempt to come to an agreement. He does not recall whether LILLA BURT CUMMINGS completed her deposition or not. TOWER stated that he does not know the current location of these depositions, does not know whether his lawyer has a copy, and does not even know

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whether they exist or have been destroyed. TOWER stated that he would have his attorney search the files in an attempt to obtain the copy of this deposition.

TOWER was asked about any dealings he had with the Senate Ethics Committee, and any communications he might have received from them. TOWER stated that he had several documents from the United States Senate pertaining to his closing down of his Senate Office. He provided the interviewing agents with one document containing three parts, privileges available to a former member of the Senate, a letter to TOWER from the Sergeant at Arms dated November 14, 1984, and one Closing Office Checklist. TOWER advised that the other document which is in his possession is a letter from the Senate Ethics Committee, which letter was the source of the guidance which TOWER used in handling disbursements of former campaign contributions. TOWER advised, however, that the copy of this document is not located here in Washington, but rather is maintained in his Dallas, Texas office. TOWER would make a copy of this Senate Ethics Committee letter available at his Dallas, Texas office.

TOWER was asked with whom he had consulted while working for Rockwell International, Incorporated, El Segundo, California. He responded that he had dealt or consulted directly with [redacted] who was then the [redacted] of Rockwell International. He also had dealings with the present Chief Executive Officer, [redacted]. Finally, he has had contact here in Washington with [redacted], who works for Rockwell International here in the Washington, D.C. area. TOWER was advised that the FBI had been unable to locate the exact person with whom he had been consulting at that company in the Los Angeles, California area. b6 b7C

TOWER was asked for the location of the records for the TOWER Senate Club. He stated that all available records are maintained by him at his Dallas, Texas office. Anticipating a question in this regard, TOWER has had his staff in Dallas, Texas, going through cancelled checks in an effort to precisely document expenditures from this Club. He advised that all available records could be obtained from his employee, [redacted] who can be located in TOWER's Dallas, Texas office. In addition to having the cancelled checks, [redacted] would also be available to explain each of the expenditures for which the check was written. Finally, as mentioned above, [redacted] would provide the FBI with the letter from the Senate Ethics Committee mentioned above.

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[redacted] Dickstein, Shapiro and Morin, Washington, D.C., advised that he has not been in contact with JOHN TOWER since December 6, 1988, when TOWER, [redacted] and the interviewing agent met. [redacted] was advised that several matters remain outstanding following that December 6 meeting. The Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) wishes to interview [redacted] as a close professional associate of the appointee. Does [redacted] have a copy of the deposition given by TOWER during the divorce proceedings and would TOWER agree to release a copy of this deposition to the FBI for inclusion in this investigation? Does TOWER have in his possession copies of any documents filed with the Federal Election Commission, or documents received from the Federal Election Commission, and would TOWER make these documents available to the FBI for inclusion in this investigation?

[redacted] advised that he understands the request that he be interviewed as a close professional associate of TOWER's and would respond to the interviewing agent in the near future.

[redacted] advised that the deposition in question is not part of the court divorce file, to the best of his knowledge. [redacted] stated that he has not read this deposition recently, but was present when it was given. He does not recall any information in the deposition concerning extra-marital affairs or any similar areas of interest, but recalled that it contained only "more routine stuff." He further recalled that the deposition was never completed and Mrs. TOWER's lawyer did not even get a chance to finish his questions to TOWER. This occurred because the two parties came to an agreement, making the deposition moot. [redacted] advised that he will discuss the matter of making this deposition available with Mr. TOWER.

[redacted] advised that he has not yet had a chance to search TOWER's files for any documents filed with the Federal Election Commission.

[redacted] advised that he would speak to Mr. TOWER and call the interviewing agent when he had done so.

Approximately one hour later, [redacted] advised that he has spoken to Mr. TOWER. [redacted] will gladly speak to the interviewing agent and make comments concerning TOWER as a professional

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associate. Concerning the deposition, however, [REDACTED] was quite concerned. He explained that this deposition is not a completed document, and there are inaccuracies and misstatements in it, which would have been corrected or clarified during the latter half of the deposition. In addition, although the deposition contains no information concerning any extra-marital affairs by TOWER, it does contain a great deal of personal information concerning TOWER's finances, employment and other personal matters. [REDACTED] was concerned that this detail, which he does not believe is pertinent to this investigation, would fall into the wrong hands and would unnecessarily become part of the public record. [REDACTED] proposed that he and TOWER would be willing to provide the interviewing agent with a copy of this deposition, and with an office in which to read the deposition. In addition, TOWER would be glad to answer any questions which the agent might have as a result of having read this deposition.

[REDACTED] was advised that the interviewing agent could not accept these terms without checking further with FBI Headquarters. [REDACTED] was advised that the interviewing agent would call him on the morning of December 8, 1988, with the response to this proposal.

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TO DIRECTOR FBI (161-20403)/PRIORITY/

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CITE: //3650//

PASS: [REDACTED] SPIN UNIT, ROOM 4371.

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SUBJECT: JOHN GOODWIN TOWER; SPIN (A); BUDED: DECEMBER 9, 1988.

REBUTEL TO ALL OFFICES, DATED DECEMBER 2, 1988.

A REVIEW OF PITTSBURGH INDICES AND ELSUR FILES FAILED TO
REFLECT ANY INFORMATION IDENTIFIABLE WITH APPOINTEE OR ANY MEMBER
OF HIS IMMEDIATE FAMILY.

ELSUR CHECKS WERE CONDUCTED BY [REDACTED] INDICES CHECKS
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TO DIRECTOR FBI (161-20403)/PRIORITY/

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CITE: //3320//

PASS: [REDACTED] SPIN UNIT, ROOM 4371.

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SUBJECT: JOHN GOODWIN TOWER, SPIN (A); RUDED: 12/9/88.

RE BUREAU TELETYPE TO ALL OFFICES, 12/2/88.

JACKSON GENERAL INDICES CHECKED BY [REDACTED] ELSUR

CHECKED BY [REDACTED] CONFIDENTIAL INDICES CHECKED BY [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AND ALL NEGATIVE RE APPOINTEE, CLOSE RELATIVES AND
PRESENT BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENT.

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CITE: //3190//

PASS: FBIHQ: [REDACTED] SPIN UNIT, ROOM 4371.

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SUBJECT: JOHN GOODWIN TOWER; SPIN(A); BUDED: 12/9/88 WITHOUT
FAIL.

RE BUREAU TELETYPE TO DALLAS, DATED 12/9/88; LOS ANGELES
TELETYPE TO BUREAU, DALLAS, AND WMFO, DATED 12/9/88.

RE BUTEL REQUESTED DALLAS TO FACSIMILE COPY OF NEWS ARTICLE.

IT IS NOTED THAT SAME WAS FACSIMILED TO SPIN UNIT ON AM OF
DECEMBER 9, 1988.

A REVIEW OF ARTICLE DID NOT APPEAR TO RAISE ANY NEW ISSUE

INASMUCH AS APPOINTEE HAS BEEN SEEN IN PUBLIC WITH [REDACTED]

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ON INNUMERABLE OCCASIONS SINCE JANUARY, 1986.

RE LOS ANGELES TEL SET OUT LEAD FOR DALLAS TO CONTACT [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] ELECTRONICS OPERATIONS DIVISION, ROCKWELL
INTERNATIONAL, DALLAS, TEXAS.

ON DECEMBER 9, 1988, [REDACTED] TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED THE
DALLAS DIVISION FROM HIS RETREAT ON [REDACTED] ADVISED
HE HAS ONLY PERSONALLY BEEN WITH TOWER ON THREE OCCASIONS. HE
STATED HE IS NOT PERSONALLY WELL ACQUAINTED WITH THE APPOINTEE,
BUT KNOWS NOTHING OF A DEROGATORY NATURE WITH REGARD TO THE
APPOINTEE.

HE PARTICULARLY NOTED THAT HE HAS BEEN WITH HIM ONLY ON ONE
SOCIAL OCCASION, BUT THE APPOINTEE CERTAINLY DID NOT CONSUME ANY
EXCESS ALCOHOL IN HIS PRESENCE.

[REDACTED] NOTED THAT HE THOUGHT BASED ON WHAT HE KNOWS OF
APPOINTEE, APPOINTEE WOULD BE AN EXCELLENT CHOICE FOR A POSITION
OF TRUST AND CONFIDENCE WITH THE U.S. GOVERNMENT IN THE
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE. HE NOTED HE HAS SEEN NEWS MEDIA ACCOUNTS
THAT APPOINTEE IS BEING CONSIDERED FOR SUCH.

IT IS NOTED DALLAS CONTINUES TO HAVE OUTSTANDING LEAD TO
INTERVIEW [REDACTED] WHEN SHE IS WELL ENOUGH TO BE

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INTERVIEWED, PROBABLY DURING THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 12-16, 1988.

DALLAS WILL INCLUDE INTERVIEW OF IN THAT REPORT.

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DE LA #0027 3441908

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FM FBI LOS ANGELES (161A-5938) (AP-1) (RUC)

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CITE: //3410//

SUBJECT: JOHN GOODWIN TOWER; SPIN (A); RUDED 12/9/88.

REFERENCE WMFO TELETYPE TO THE DIRECTOR DATED 12/6/88 AND
LOS ANGELES TELETYPE TO THE DIRECTOR DATED 12/7/88.

ON 12/7/88 WILLIAM FRENCH SMITH, ATTORNEY, GIBSON, DUNN AND
CRUTCHER, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA WAS CONTACTED BY SA [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WILLIAM FRENCH SMITH ADVISED THAT HIS SCHEDULE DOES NOT

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PERMIT A FACE TO FACE INTERVIEW AND REQUESTED THAT THE INTERVIEW BE HANDLED TELEPHONICALLY. SMITH ADVISED THAT HE FIRST MET APPOINTEE IN 1980 WHEN SMITH WAS WORKING IN WASHINGTON. SMITH DESCRIBED APPOINTEE AS BEING AN EXCELLENT INDIVIDUAL WHO WAS "SOCIALLY DELIGHTFUL." SMITH FELT THAT APPOINTEE WAS A VERY PERCEPTIVE INDIVIDUAL AND FELT THAT HE WAS HONEST, TRUSTWORTHY, MATURE AND STABLE. SMITH ADVISED THAT HE WAS UNAWARE OF ANY BIAS OR PREJUDICE ON THE PART OF APPOINTEE AND HAD NEVER HAD ANY REASON TO QUESTION HIS LOYALTY TO THE UNITED STATES. SMITH STATED THAT HE WAS UNAWARE OF ANY DRUG USE, EXCESSIVE USE OF ALCOHOL OR ANY FINANCIAL PROBLEMS ON THE PART OF APPOINTEE. SMITH SAID THAT HE HAD NO PERSONAL KNOWLEDGE OF APPOINTEE'S WOMANIZING AND HAD NO KNOWLEDGE OF ANY ILLEGAL OR QUESTIONABLE CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS. SMITH FURTHER STATED THAT HE WAS UNAWARE OF ANY MENTAL INCAPACITIES TO INCLUDE BUT NOT LIMITED TO SUICIDAL TENDENCIES. SMITH ALSO ADVISED THAT HE HAD NO KNOWLEDGE OF ANY ILLEGAL OR IMPROPER ACTIVITIES IN THE BANKING COMMUNITY ON THE PART OF APPOINTEE. SMITH FELT THAT APPOINTEE ENJOYED A GOOD REPUTATION AND FELT THAT APPOINTEE ASSOCIATED WITH PEOPLE OF THE HIGHEST CALIBER. SMITH STATED HE KNEW NOTHING OF A DEROGATORY

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NATURE REGARDING APPOINTEE AND HAD NO RESERVATIONS IN
RECOMMENDING HIM FOR THIS POSITION.

ON 12/7/88 [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] WAS

TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED AT HIS RESIDENCE, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AT THIS TIME IT WAS REQUESTED THAT

A FACE TO FACE INTERVIEW BE CONDUCTED. [REDACTED] REPLIED THAT DUE

TO HIS HEAVY WORK LOAD A FACE TO FACE INTERVIEW WOULD NOT BE

FEASIBLE. [REDACTED] STATED THAT HE MET APPOINTEE IN NOVEMBER OF

1987 AND THAT THEIR RELATIONSHIP HAS BEEN PRIMARILY A

PROFESSIONAL ONE. HE STATED THAT BOTH HE AND APPOINTEE WERE

MEMBERS OF THE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AND THAT HIS CONTACT WITH APPOINTEE WAS IN THAT CONTEXT.

[REDACTED] STATED THAT HE BELIEVES ON TWO OCCASIONS HE MET WITH

APPOINTEE IN A LIMITED SOCIAL CONTEXT BUT THAT IT WAS DIRECTLY

RELATED TO THEIR MEMBERSHIP IN THE [REDACTED] DESCRIBED

APPOINTEE AS BEING AN INTELLIGENT INDIVIDUAL AND BELIEVED HIM TO

BE HONEST, TRUSTWORTHY, MATURE AND STABLE. [REDACTED] STATED THAT HE

WAS UNAWARE OF ANY BIAS OF PREJUDICE ON THE PART OF APPOINTEE AND

HAD NEVER HAD ANY REASON TO QUESTION HIS LOYALTY TO THE UNITED

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STATES. [] ADVISED THAT HE WAS UNAWARE OF ANY DRUG USE OR ALCOHOL ABUSE ON THE PART OF APPOINTEE AND BELIEVED THAT APPOINTEE LIVED WITHIN HIS FINANCIAL MEANS. [] WAS UNAWARE OF ANY "WOMANIZING" AND STATED THAT ON THE TWO OCCASIONS THAT HE MET WITH APPOINTEE ON A SOCIAL BASIS, APPOINTEE WAS WITH A FEMALE DATE AND CONDUCTED HIMSELF IN A PROFESSIONAL MANNER. [] FURTHER STATED THAT HE WAS UNAWARE OF ANY ILLEGAL OR QUESTIONABLE CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS ON THE PART OF APPOINTEE AND HAD NO KNOWLEDGE OF APPOINTEE'S ACTIVITIES IN THE BANKING COMMUNITY WHICH MAY HAVE BEEN ILLEGAL OR IMPROPER. [] STATED THAT HE WAS UNAWARE OF ANY MENTAL INCAPACITIES ON THE PART OF APPOINTEE AND BELIEVED THAT APPOINTEE ENJOYED A FINE REPUTATION IN THE CONTEXT IN WHICH HE KNEW HIM. [] BELIEVED THAT APPOINTEE ASSOCIATED WITH PEOPLE OF GOOD CHARACTER AND REPUTATION AND KNEW NOTHING OF A DEROGATORY NATURE REGARDING HIM. [] HAD NO RESERVATIONS IN RECOMMENDING HIM FOR THIS POSITION.

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THE FOLLOWING INVESTIGATION WAS CONDUCTED BY SA []

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ON DECEMBER 6, 1988, []

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[REDACTED] ROCKWELL INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION (RI), 2230 EAST IMPERIAL HIGHWAY, EL SEGUNDO, CALIFORNIA, ADVISED HE IS UNSURE OF THE EXACT DATE THAT THE APPOINTEE BEGAN HIS RELATIONSHIP WITH RI AS A CONSULTANT. HE BELIEVES IT WAS SOMETIME AFTER THE APPOINTEE CONCLUDED HIS ARMS CONTROL ACTIVITIES IN 1986. THE APPOINTEE ACTED AS AN ADVISOR TO SEVERAL DIVISIONS OF RI CONCERNING LONG-TERM TRENDS OF THOUGHT BY MILITARY AND GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS ON ICBM GUIDANCE AND CONTROL PROGRAMS AND OTHER PROGRAMS RI IS INTERESTED IN SUCH AS THE HIGH FREQUENCY JAMMING PROGRAM. THE APPOINTEE HAS EXTENSIVE KNOWLEDGE IN THESE AREAS AND WAS ABLE TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE TO RI EXECUTIVES IN FUTURE PLANNING.

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[REDACTED] ADVISED HE DID NOT DEAL DIRECTLY WITH THE APPOINTEE AND HAS ONLY MET HIM ON TWO OCCASIONS. HIS ONLY SOCIAL CONTACT WITH THE APPOINTEE WAS A DINNER APPROXIMATELY ONE AND ONE-HALF YEARS AGO. HE SAW NOTHING IN HIS LIMITED CONTACT WITH THE APPOINTEE THAT WOULD INDICATE THE APPOINTEE ANY PERSONAL PROBLEMS WHATSOEVER.

[REDACTED] HAS NO PERSONAL KNOWLEDGE OF ANYTHING THAT COULD REFLECT UNFAVORABLY ON THE APPOINTEE'S CHARACTER, LOYALTY,

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ASSOCIATES OR REPUTATION. HE HAS NO KNOWLEDGE OF THE APPOINTEE'S PERSONAL LIFE OTHER THAN WHAT HE HAS READ IN THE NEWSPAPERS. FOR THAT REASON HE WAS UNABLE TO COMMENT FURTHER CONCERNING THE APPOINTEE.

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[] SAID THE APPOINTEE HAD NO EXTENSIVE CONTACT WITH RI EXECUTIVES THAT HE IS AWARE OF BUT DID DEAL DIRECTLY WITH PERSONS IN SEVERAL DIVISIONS OF RI. SOME OF THE PERSONS THE APPOINTEE DEALT DIRECTLY WITH MOST FREQUENTLY ARE AS FOLLOWS:

[] (PHONETIC), [] GOVERNMENT
RELATIONS, RI CORPORATE OFFICES, CRYSTAL CITY, VIRGINIA,
TELEPHONE []

[] (PHONETIC), [] DEFENSE
ELECTRONICS, RI CORPORATE OFFICES, CRYSTAL CITY, VIRGINIA,
TELEPHONE []

[] ELECTRONICS OPERATIONS DIVISION,
DALLAS, TEXAS, TELEPHONE []

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DALLAS AT DALLAS, TEXAS: CONTACT [] FOR INTERVIEW.

WMFO AT CRYSTAL CITY: CONTACT [] AND []

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DE LA #0028 3441913

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CITE: //3410//

SUBJECT: JOHN GOODWIN TOWER; SPIN (A); BUDED 12/9/88.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

ALL INDIVIDUALS CONTACTED WERE APPRISED OF THE PROVISIONS OF THE PRIVACY ACT AND THOSE REQUESTING CONFIDENTIALITY HAVE BEEN SO NOTED.

LOS ANGELES GENERAL, CONFIDENTIAL AND ELSR INDICES NEGATIVE

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REGARDING APPLICATION AS CHECKED BY SUPPORT PERSONS [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] RESPECTIVELY ON

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FM FBI WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN FIELD(161A-19411)(P)(A-1)

TO DIRECTOR FBI/ROUTINE/

FBI HOUSTON/ROUTINE/

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CITE: //3920//

SUBJECT: JOHN GOODWIN TOWER; SPIN (A); BUDED: DECEMBER 9, 1988.

RE WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN FIELD OFFICE (WMFO) TELETYPE,
DATED DECEMBER 7, 1988; AND WMFO TELEPHONE CALL TO HOUSTON,
DECEMBER 9, 1988.

THIS IS TO CONFIRM REFERENCED TELEPHONE CALL BETWEEN WMFO,
SQUAD A-1 SUPERVISOR [REDACTED] AND HOUSTON DIVISION REGARDING
THE ADDRESS OF [REDACTED]

TELEPHONE [REDACTED]

LEADS: HOUSTON DIVISION: AT CORPUS CHRISTIE, TEXAS

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Mr. Mohr	
Mr. Bishop	
Mr. Casper	
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Mr. Gale	
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Sullivan	
Mr. Tavel	
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Miss Gandy	

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SUBJECT: JOHN GOODWIN TOWER; SPIN (A); BUDED DECEMBER 9, 1988.

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ON DECEMBER 9, 1988, [REDACTED] RECORDS SUPERVISOR, UNITED STATES OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT (USOPM), NACI CENTER, BOYERS, PENNSYLVANIA, ADVISED HIS INDICES CONTAIN NO RECORD FOR CAPTIONED APPLICANT.

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TO DIRECTOR FBI (161-20403)/PRIORITY/

FBI RICHMOND/PRIORITY/

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CITE: //3920//

SUBJECT: JOHN GOODWIN TOWER; SPIN (A); EUEDED: DECEMBER 9, 1988
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RE WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN FIELD OFFICE (WMFO) TO BUREAU AND
RICHMOND, DATED DECEMBER 8, 1988.

ON DECEMBER 8, 1988, SPECIAL AGENT (SA) [REDACTED]
TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED SA [REDACTED] OF THE CHARLOTTESVILLE
RESIDENT AGENCY THAT ABOVE REFERENCED TELETYPE WOULD BE
FORTHCOMING. [REDACTED] THEN CONTACTED [REDACTED] TO SET
UP AN INTERVIEW. [REDACTED] ADVISED THAT HE IS UNAVAILABLE UNTIL

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DECEMBER 12, 1988, AFTER 2:30 P.M. SA [REDACTED] THEN ADVISED

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SA [REDACTED] OF THIS FACT.

LEADS: RICHMOND DIVISION: AT CHARLOTTESVILLE, VIRGINIA:

INTERVIEW [REDACTED] ON DECEMBER 12, 1988.

WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN FIELD DIVISION: AT WASHINGTON, D.C.:

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FM FBI ATLANTA (161-1805)

TO DIRECTOR FBI/PRIORITY/

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CITE: //3040//

PASS: ATTENTION [REDACTED] SPIN UNIT, ROOM 4371.

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SUBJECT: JOHN GOODWIN TOWER; SPIN (A); BUDED DECEMBER 9, 1988.

REFERENCE BUTEL TO ALL OFFICES DECEMBER 2, 1988.

ATLANTA DIVISION GENERAL INDICES [REDACTED]

CONFIDENTIAL INDICES [REDACTED] AND ELSUR INDICES [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ALL NEGATIVE RE: CANDIDATE, CLOSE FAMILY, COHABITANTS/ AND
BUSINESS ENTITY, ON DECEMBER 5, 1988.

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FM LEGAT LONDON (161-213) (P)

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CITE: //5200//

SUBJECT: JOHN GOODWIN TOWER; SPIN (A); BUDED: 12/9/88.

ON DECEMBER 6, 1988, CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE NUMBER ONE ADVISED

AS FOLLOWS:

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ON DECEMBER 9, 1988, CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE NUMBER TWO ADVISED 26 1989

THAT APPOINTEE HAD NOT COME TO SECURITY NOTICE IN THE UK.

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REBUTEL DATED 12/2/88, RECEIVED IN LEGAT LONDON 12/5/88 AND

BUDED: 12/9/88.

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CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE NUMBER ONE IS [REDACTED]

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(U) CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE NUMBER TWO IS [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] ~~(S)~~

TWO MORE LEADS STILL OUTSTANDING AND AS SOON AS LEGAT LONDON
RECEIVES THESE LEADS WILL SUTEL TO BUREAU.

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Memorandum



To : DIRECTOR, FBI
(ATTENTION: ROOM 4371) Date 12/12/88

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From: SAC, WFO 161 A - 19411 (P)

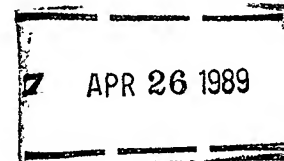
Subject : JOHN GOODWIN TOWER

SPIN A

BUDED: PAST RE: WMFO report dated 12/10/88

Enclosed for Bureau are the results of appropriate checks at the United States Park Police.

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AGENCY CHECK

On December 9, 1988, IA [REDACTED] searched the files of the United States Park Police and no record was located for the appointee.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE SAN FRANCISCO	OFFICE OF ORIGIN BUREAU	DATE 12/12/88	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 12/8/88
TITLE OF CASE JOHN GOODWIN TOWER		REPORT MADE BY SA 	b6 b7C TYPED BY skg
		CHARACTER OF CASE SPIN (A)	

REFERENCE: Bureau teletype, dated 12/6/88; and San Francisco teletype, dated 12/6/88; and Bureau teletype dated 12/7/88.

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ADMINISTRATIVE:

Where appropriate, Privacy Act (E)(3) data was furnished to persons interviewed. Express promises of confidentiality, both limited and unlimited, have been noted where granted.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS CLAIMED						<input type="checkbox"/> NONE	ACQUIT- TALS	CASE HAS BEEN: PENDING OVER ONE YEAR <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO PENDING PROSECUTION OVER SIX MONTHS <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
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Report of: SA [REDACTED]
Date: 12/12/88

Office: SAN FRANCISCO

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Field Office File #: SF 161A-4802

Bureau File #:

Title: JOHN GOODWIN TOWER

Character: SPIN (A)

Synopsis: Associates comment favorably and recommend.

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DETAILS:

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ASSOCIATE

The following investigation was conducted by SA [REDACTED]

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AT OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA:

On December 8, 1988, [REDACTED] was contacted at his place of employment, Positive Motion, 77 - 8th Street, Oakland, California, and he advised that he has known the appointee since 1975, on both a professional and social basis. He advised that he had [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] on various intelligence matters of the United States Government. He advised that the appointee is an honest person and the appointee is a loyal American of good moral character and reputation. He stated that the appointee does associate with individuals and organizations of the highest caliber.

[REDACTED] advised that the appointee does not use illegal drugs nor does the appointee abuse alcohol. He advised that the appointee in 1977 and 1978, had [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] He advised that he has had no daily contact with the appointee in approximately 10 years.

[REDACTED] advised that he knows of no derogatory information pertaining to the appointee and he would definitely recommend the appointee for a position of trust and responsibility with the United States Government. He advised that he knows of nothing concerning the appointee that would disqualify the appointee from a position of trust and responsibility with the United States Government. He advised that he is unable to specifically comment on the appointee's financial affairs as he was not that closely associated with the appointee, that he would know specific details of the appointee's financial situations.

[REDACTED] further stated that the appointee is a very fair minded individual having the ability to get along with all types of people and the appointee is not bias against any racial, religious, or ethnic group.

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[] further advised that he has no personal knowledge that the appointee has any type of alcohol problem and the appointee does not have a drinking problem with loose lips that would compromise national security.

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[] advised that he has no information concerning any illegal use of campaign funds or illegal contributions to campaign funds for the appointee. He advised that he had worked on one re-election campaign for the appointee and this was only for a short time. He advised that during that time period no information had come to his attention concerning any improprieties relating to this re-election campaign.

[] advised that he has no first hand knowledge concerning any sexual indiscretions by the appointee relating to a [] named []. He advised that he had heard public rumors concerning this situation; however he has no first hand knowledge concerning any sexual indiscretions by the appointee. He advised that the only female individual associated with the appointee that he has known is LILLA TOWER, as she had come to his house with the appointee before they were married, however the appointee later married LILLA.

[] further advised that in his associations with the appointee he never had seen anything that would reflect that there were conflicts of interest in the dealings of the appointee.

CAPTIONED ASSOCIATE

The following investigation was conducted by SA

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[REDACTED]
AT STANFORD, CALIFORNIA

On December 8, 1988, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] was telephonically contacted in an effort to arrange an appointment.

[REDACTED] advised that in the interest of time he could talk about the Appointee over the telephone.

[REDACTED] advised that he has known the Appointee for a least ten years and that he worked with him. He said that he could vouch for his character and as far as he knew, the Appointee associated with reputable people. He said that Appointee's loyalty to the United States was unquestionable and he knew of no biases that the Appointee had against people of various religions or different ethnic background. He said that he thought the Appointee was a capable individual in spite of the adverse publicity the Appointee has received over the years.

[REDACTED] advised that the allegations concerning his sexual indiscretions or his abusing alcohol, as far as he knew, were just allegations. He said he does not know the Appointee to have used illegal drugs or have abused alcohol or to have engaged in any improper or illegal activity. [REDACTED] felt the Appointee was a very capable individual, and he recommended him for a position of trust and confidence.

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JOHN GOODWIN TOWER; SPIN (A); BUDED: PAST (12/9/88).

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AND WHO [REDACTED]

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IS AWARE, SENATOR TOWER HAS BEEN CRITICIZED CONCERNING THE
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CONCERNING ANY KNOWLEDGE OF QUESTIONABLE/ILLEGAL CAMPAIGN
CONTRIBUTIONS, POSSIBLE ALCOHOL ABUSE AND WOMANIZING ON THE
PART OF TOWER.

HOUSTON: 1) INTERVIEW [REDACTED] OF [REDACTED]

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TO: SSA [redacted] WMFO
FM: SSA [redacted] SPIN Unit

The following items were discussed as new leads or leads that are now in process of being covered by WMFO:

Interview [redacted]

[redacted] (address of [redacted])
Times article - Office at [redacted] re: Legal
Individuals names given by [redacted] secretary
[redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted]

Contact Tower's office

- ✓ verify his military service, dates (active and reserve), rank, discharge, etc. - as St. Louis cannot locate records)
- ✓ name, etc. of agent and publisher at Little-Brown
- verify employment at Jedford-McManus or set appropriate lead
- ✓ interview [redacted] (White House Press Corps) due to Mrs. Tower's specific allegation (p. 45 WMFO report)

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ENCLOSURE

Rep. Chappell's Backdoor Move

Foreign Aircraft Firms Benefit

BY GREG RUSHFORD

Few members of Congress who voted for final passage of the massive 1988 spending bill knew that the potential beneficiaries of an obscure multimillion dollar aircraft program were three foreign companies. And the legislators certainly had no idea American aircraft companies that had wanted to bid had been deliberately excluded.

But Rep. Bill Chappell Jr. (D-Fla.), the feisty and powerful chairman of the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Defense, did know.

It was Chappell who was mainly responsible for language buried deep in the 1,053-page bill, inserted without public debate, that potentially translates into a \$100 million windfall for one of three firms from Great Britain, Israel, or Canada.

Chappell, a 20-year veteran of the House known for his staunch support of military spending, defends his actions on grounds of national security. He argues that the aircraft



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Rep. Bill Chappell Jr. pushed contract.

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Chappell Move Means Windfall for Foreign Aircraft Firms

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produced by the foreign companies who qualify to bid under his language are better suited for their mission.

"I don't care who gets the contract," says the 66-year-old Democrat. "If I feel something is good for this country, I'm a fighter and I will fight for it."

Air Force Undersecretary James McGovern, who has met with Chappell, says through a spokesman that at no time did Chappell "even hint that he had a preference" for who would be awarded the contract.

But a number of critics, including Air Force officials responsible for the program, describe Chappell's move as another example of the congressional budget process gone awry.

"This is a sneak trick designed to avoid the normal budget process in the hope nobody will ask questions," says one key congressional aide.

Says one indignant Air Force official: "I never thought I'd see the day when a U.S. congressman deliberately kept American companies away from a defense contract in favor of foreign interests."

Fueling the Budgetary Fire

The controversy over Chappell's aircraft program is yet another offshoot of the growing debate over the congressional budget process. A number of last-minute additions to the continuing resolution, critics contend, would never have survived more open and deliberative treatment. Sen. Edward Kennedy (D-Mass.) has drawn fire for his amendment forcing Rupert Murdoch to sell some media properties, while Sen. Daniel Inouye (D-Hawaii) has had to explain his sponsorship of an \$8 million amendment to fund a school for Jewish refugees in France.

The controversial appropriation for the foreign aircraft bidders pushed by Chappell occupies less than one page of subcommittee testimony; yet, millions of dollars are at stake. In September, Congress rejected a backdoor method to fund the program, and the Air Force itself is lukewarm at best about the project.

Against this backdrop, critics are wondering why Chappell has been moved to intervene so aggressively.

Chappell acknowledges that he has met with officials from two of the three foreign bidders, British Aerospace Inc. and Canadair Inc. But he flatly rejects any insinuation that he is responding to the special pleading of an interested party.

Lobbying on the aircraft program has been nearly invisible. Spokesmen for all three foreign manufacturers deny that they lobbied Chappell or anyone else.

But Chappell says he met with Charles Gray, director of government relations for Canadair, a Montreal-based aircraft manufacturer and a potential recipient of Chappell's largess: Chappell describes Gray, a retired Air Force officer, as "a friend." Gray says he told Chappell that the program "deserves the committee's support."

Chappell offers, "I talked to the presi-

dent of British Aerospace when I was in London—what's his name?" Sir Edward Hanson is president of British Aerospace.

One powerful former official may have played a behind-the-scenes role in the controversy. According to two Senate aides, former Sen. John Tower (R-Texas), who once chaired the Armed Services Committee, has made calls on behalf of British Aerospace and a subcontractor, the Dallas-based LTV Corp. Tower, now an aerospace consultant in Washington, is a British Aerospace director and an LTV consultant.

Tower, who is not registered as a British Aerospace lobbyist or agent, declined repeated requests for comment. Two Senate sources say that Tower has placed calls on the issue to Air Force Undersecretary James McGovern, who directed the staff when Tower chaired the Armed Services Committee, and to Arnold Punaro, now the committee's staff director.

Punaro could not be reached for comment. Chappell says he does not recall talking with Tower about the aircraft program.

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Limiting the Bidding

Chappell's initiative would replace six aging executive-type "flight inspection" jets that have been in the inventory for more than 20 years. Four are Lockheed Jet Stars, now out of production, while two are Sabreliners, first built in the 1950s by the predecessor to Rockwell International. The small jets have been based in Europe and Japan and contain a sophisticated inertial navigation system.

"Essentially, in case of a combat-type crisis," explains one Air Force Reserve pilot, "they fly ahead to check the ground instrumentation landing systems to ensure it is safe to land."

Chappell's provision requires the Air Force to award the contract for replacement flight-inspection planes, known as C-FINs, to aircraft that can fly at least 2,400 nautical miles.

This seemingly innocuous language essentially limited the bidding to three firms: British Aerospace, Israel Aircraft Industries, and Canadair. Large domestic com-

panies, including the Cessna Corp., the Gates Learjet Corp., and the Beech Aircraft Corp., are excluded because their aircraft fly shorter ranges.

Chappell says Air Force officials communicated to him that the longer-range aircraft was desirable. In fact, the Air Force in 1984 originally planned to replace the aging jets with 2,400-mile C-FINs. But in subsequent years, the Air Force officially sought the shorter-range jets.

"The C-FIN is a very important program that doesn't have much visibility," says Chappell. "I strongly feel it ought to be done."

Knowledgeable aircraft industry sources say the Cessna and Learjet aircraft are cheaper than their British and Canadian counterparts. The Israeli aircraft is comparably priced to the American planes, industry sources say.

"Cessna and Learjet at least, on their merits, should have been allowed to bid on C-FIN," asserts one knowledgeable Air Force official.

Through the Back Door

The Pentagon did not ask for C-FIN funding in its 1988 budget request. But the public record shows that Rep. Chappell, as his subcommittee considered the Air Force 1988 procurement budget, wanted to push C-FIN through a back door. If C-FIN was not in the regular budget, money for it could be found by reprogramming, or transferring, funds already appropriated for other military programs.

On March 12, 1987, Lt. Gen. Bernard Randolph, an Air Force deputy chief of staff for research, development and acquisition, had an exchange with Chappell that illustrates how the lawmaker was pushing for the longer-range, foreign aircraft.

"Now, we are still talking about a 2,400-mile-range aircraft?" Chappell asked. "Yes, sir," Randolph answered.

Chappell then drove home the point that the Air Force competition was only going to be open to the longer-range aircraft.

"I think congressional intent is clear on that 2,400 miles?" he asked. "Yes, sir," the general saluted. "No doubt in my mind."

Shortly after the March hearing, the Air Force—which earlier had approved an 1,850-mile-plus range for the C-FINs—requested a \$70 million reprogramming to buy 2,400-mile range C-FINs.

"When the Air Force issued its 2,400-mile range RFP [Request for Proposal]," says a Beech official, "we had to drop out." Gates Learjet and Cessna also quit the competition.

Gates Learjet officials would not take calls on C-FIN. A spokesman for General Dynamics Inc., the giant defense contractor that owns Cessna, says that the corporation decided "not to make a big fuss over this one program that might antagonize Congressman Chappell."

But Kansas-based Cessna did not go without a fight.

"Cessna exercised the rights of any constituent," says the General Dynamics spokesman, who confirms that the company alerted its home-state senator, Minority Leader Robert Dole.

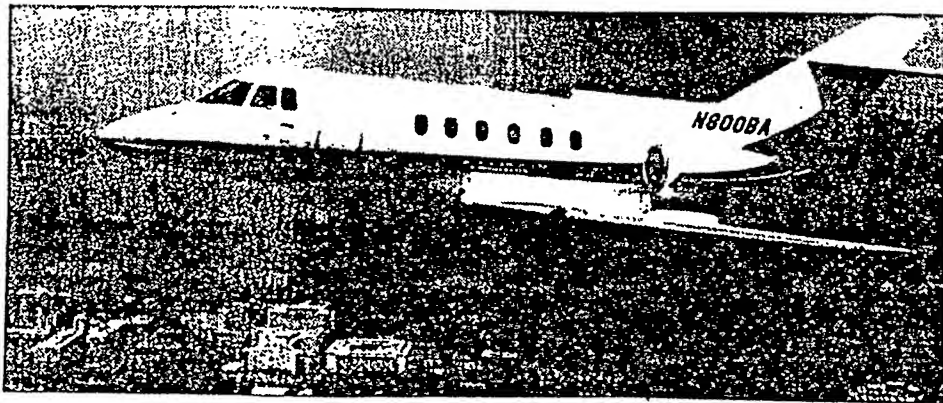
Dole could not be reached for comment, but Senate sources credit him with inspiring last September's congressional action to kill the reprogramming request.

The Kansas senator complained about the 2,400 mile C-FIN requirement in letters to Sen. John Warner (R-Va.), the ranking Republican on the Armed Services Committee, and the committee chairman, Sen. Sam Nunn (D-Ga.).

"Nunn and Warner were cool to the way the C-FIN reprogramming was handled anyway, and Dole's letter gave them an excuse to kill it," says one key defense aide.

Dole also talked to the ranking Republican on the Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Defense, Sen. Ted Stevens (R-Ala.), who agreed not to support the reprogramming, according to congressional insiders.

The reprogramming died after Sept. 30 when the Senate Appropriations and Armed Services Committees failed to approve it before the fiscal year ended.



British Aerospace hopes its jet will win the \$100 million contract.



Sen. Robert Dole intervened for some Kansas-based companies.

'On Top of the Table'

But Chappell, combative as ever, was not ready to quit. He resurrected the reprogramming by inserting language in the year-end continuing resolution that Congress approved last Dec. 21.

Chappell says he is "very much opposed" to the practice of enacting omnibus year-end continuing resolutions. "I think it's the worst way we can legislate."

He says the committee did not intend to hide anything. "We try to put everything on top of the table," Chappell says.

The Air Force has not announced which of the three foreign bidders will be awarded the contract. The Air Force also has not said which defense program will lose the \$100 million that will be transferred for the C-FIN procurement. "Usually, we kind of hope we don't have \$100 million lying around that we can use to buy corporate jets," says one official with a trace of sarcasm.

Although the firms now destined to win the C-FIN contract are all foreign, some American firms will also benefit since they serve as subcontractors to the foreign companies.

For example, both Canadair and Israel Aircraft Industries use Garrett engines, which are built by Arizona-based Garrett Aerospace, a division of Allied-Signal. Accordingly, Garrett and C-FIN have the support of both Arizona senators, Republican John McCain and Democrat Dennis DeConcini, who recently wrote letters to Air Force Undersecretary McGovern supporting Chappell's provision.

Although Chappell says he is unaware of it, his stance on C-FIN appears to have done little to harm his political fortunes in the eyes of hopeful C-FIN subcontractors.

According to Federal Election Commission records, several American defense contractors who hope to be C-FIN subcontractors have supported Chappell's 1988 re-election campaign. They include: Allied-Signal PAC, \$1,000; the LTV Corp., \$2,000; the General Electric Co., \$1,500. Also contributing are loser Beech Aircraft, \$1,000; and Cessna's parent corporation, General Dynamics, \$1,000.

Chappell says anyone who thinks he is doing a good job in Congress is free to make campaign contributions, but he warns that they have no influence on his policies.

He is interested in C-FIN, he says, "because of the taxpayers of this country and for no other reason." []

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On December 1, 1988, [redacted] was interviewed at his residence, [redacted] b6
unlisted telephone number [redacted] b7C The interview had been arranged previously during the day and was scheduled for the only time possible that [redacted] would be available prior to mid-day Monday, December 5, 1988. After being advised of the nature of the interview and the identity of the interviewing agent, [redacted] provided the following information on former Senator John Tower.

[redacted] stated that he was knowledgeable about John Tower and that he had worked with Tower during [redacted] prior employment as [redacted]

[redacted] further stated that Tower was the Chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee while he was a House staffer and [redacted] would often work with the Senate staffers on different proposals. [redacted] advised that he considered Tower to be a vindictive individual and he had trouble working with Tower when he had to discuss programs with him. [redacted] stated further that, unlike [redacted] Tower was not open to the suggestions proposed by either the Senate or the House staffers. [redacted] also stated that he felt that Tower had favored certain defense contractors and certain programs and [redacted] felt that there was possibly improprieties involved because it seemed to be more than just constituent concerns.

[redacted] stated that Tower had been involved with the HARM missile program and that Texas Instruments (TI) was the defense contractor working the program. According to [redacted] TI was overcharging on the HARM program and that Secretary of the Navy [redacted] wanted to cut the funding for the program and the House was seeking to second source the program but Tower refused to allow any changes to the program. According to [redacted] Tower would not "hear of it" and would not agree to the second sourcing of the program. [redacted] advised that he, along with some other staffers, had proposed the use of a low cost seeker option which would have appeased everyone but that Tower only provided token support for the idea and would not go along with [redacted] proposal.

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[REDACTED] also related that he had heard that Tower had dealings with a company called TRACOR which had defense contracts out of Patuxent River, Maryland. [REDACTED] described how a [REDACTED] worked for TRACOR while Tower was a Senator. [REDACTED] according to [REDACTED] described how he took [REDACTED]

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According to [REDACTED] when [REDACTED] returned from the trip he

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advised that [REDACTED] TRACOR because of this incident and presently commutes to a new job with ITT in New Jersey. [REDACTED] stated that [REDACTED] had kept some documents and that he would be willing to be interviewed. [REDACTED] also stated that [REDACTED] made the allegation that Tower went to TRACOR and that "things stopped." According to [REDACTED] had the impression that TRACOR and Tower had a relationship and Tower had told the company to be careful.

[REDACTED] also stated that he knew that Tower was involved with the ATACC program and that this was one of the programs mentioned in the press as being part of the ILLWIND investigation. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] also described Tower as being "totally dedicated to the services regardless of the cost." [REDACTED] stated that, whereas [REDACTED] wanted to do what was the right thing, Tower would do whatever the Services wanted. [REDACTED] stated further that Tower's Senate staff would always check with the Navy when a decision was to be made. [REDACTED] stated that Tower was also

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against the [REDACTED] reorganization proposal. [REDACTED] stated also that Tower did not follow the advise or suggestions of his staffers. [REDACTED] stated that it was difficult to get Tower to go against the government's desires.

[REDACTED] described how he had read a letter that had been sent to the Senate Armed Services Committee when Mel Paisley was being confirmed. According to [REDACTED] the letter was from one of [REDACTED] and it raised questions about Paisley and the death of one of his wives. [REDACTED] stated that he was bothered by this and he felt that the Chairman of a key committee should have been more concerned with the allegations about Paisley. [REDACTED] stated that it is "a different world under Nunn and Stennis" then it was under Tower. [REDACTED] also stated that Tower protected his constituent's interests and [REDACTED] eventually soured on porkbarrel programs.

[REDACTED] also stated that he thought Tower was involved with maintaining funding for the B-1. [REDACTED] stated that Tower had been advised by the staffers that the government was asking for too much money for Research and Development for the program but Tower would not allow the funds to be cut. [REDACTED] stated how Senator John Glenn talked to [REDACTED] about [REDACTED] and how "no-one was watching the money running through it." [REDACTED] stated that this was the problem during his years on the Committee, there was "no-one watching the store." [REDACTED] repeated that Tower did not care about the deficit or the cost of a program, that if the Services wanted it they got it and, even though the staffers would work hard to get the facts about a program, no-one would use them. Without going into detail, [REDACTED] also stated that the Divad-gun was another example of a program where money was being excessively spent.

[REDACTED] stated that he [REDACTED] is presently employed as a [REDACTED] for such companies as [REDACTED] stated that his office is at [REDACTED] and he gives advice, he listen's to his client's concerns and he gives them his best judgement. [REDACTED] stated that he blames the expensive programs and the defense problems "on the Towers of the world" because they never cared about the cost or quality of a program. [REDACTED] stated that he was contacted a week ago by a reporter who asked if he would recommend Tower and [REDACTED] stated he refused to answer but he

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_____ did state what qualifications he felt a Secretary should have. _____ stated that he told the reporter that he felt an individual such as _____ would meet those qualifications. _____ stated that these qualifications should include being intelligent, knowledgeable about the defense industry, firm in one's convictions and know how the government works. _____ stated that he felt Tower was probably intelligent, smart and firm in his convictions but misguided and he should not have "blind faith in defense contractors."

_____ advised that he had spoken about numerous programs with Les Aspin and _____ felt that, if Aspin was "let loose" he could probably do some good "but now he has to hold on to his job, he has too many bills to pay" and has to do a lot of politicking. _____ stated that he personally does not think that politics should be so heavily involved in defense. _____ continued discussing Tower's relationships with defense contractors and he stated that no-one could touch Texas Instruments, no money could be taken from their programs.

_____ stated that Tower would not allow the second sourcing of the HARM missile and _____ stated that not allowing second sourcing was the wrong thing to do. _____ advised that China Lake handled the HARM program and that there were problems there when people challenged TI.

_____ stated that companies should learn that they can not defraud the government but he said total debarment is not the answer and is not feasible. _____ proposed a hypothetical situation though wherein the Macdonald Douglas and Mel Paisley relationship, which the press has stated is part of the ILLWIND investigation, is proven and shows the defense contractor to have received information illegally then the company should lose the contract and be barred for life from ever bidding or working on any part of that program again. _____ felt that such a result would punish the company while still allowing the Services to use it on other contracts. _____ stated that he felt such a system would develop compliance. _____ also mentioned that he lectures at the Defense Management School.

_____ continued and stated that Tower did play favorites with certain defense contractors and that he knew of TI and he had hearsay concerning TRACOR. _____ stated further that _____ General Bob Russ and _____ and they may be knowledgeable concerning Tower, his

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activities and other defense contractors. _____ stated that these individuals used to kid _____ about how _____

_____ when asked if he knew _____ stated that he knew _____ when _____ was _____ and he knew that _____ a senator, thought to be Senator Herman Talmadge. _____ stated also that he knew there had been problems with the Senator but _____ described _____ as being honest and straight. _____ stated that he did not know if _____ was a _____ for Tower but he did know that _____ worked for Tower on the Committee. _____ stated that the Senate Armed Services Committee operated differently from the House in that the Senators would hire people as Senate staffers but put them on the Committee payroll. _____ advised that he never had any problems with _____ and that he could work with _____ on joint House/Senate situations.

_____ stated that the following individuals may be more knowledgeable concerning Tower. _____ on the Senate Armed Services Committee during the Tower years and he can be reached at _____ and _____ who are both _____ also stated that he knew _____ and _____ have strong feelings and objections concerning Tower. _____ also stated that Tower's ex-wife would be knowledgeable. _____ also advised that the China Lake low-level laser-guided bomb (LLLGB) problem involving TI could be described by _____ at China Lake and Vern Orr (not further identified). _____ stated that Tower's _____ kept telling the Navy that they would get the money or the program back but it was eventually killed by Vern Orr. _____ also stated that _____ at China Lake, would be knowledgeable about Tower and the HARM missile. _____ also stated that _____ was involved with Tower on the HARM program.

Lastly, _____ stated that he did not think, based upon his experiences with Tower, that Tower would make a good secretary. _____ stated that there were lots of hearsay concerning Tower's drinking from his ex-wives, and about Harm, TRACOR, campaigns and Texas Instruments (TI). _____ stated

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that he knew that Tower held "onto his warchest" when he decided not to run for re-election. stated that he would be available if necessary for additional information.

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On December 12, 1988, SA [] and SA [] interviewed [] in his office located at [] in []. The agents identified themselves by showing their credentials and advised [] of the nature of the interview, following which he provided the following information:

[] advised he has known Senator JOHN TOWERS since 1977 when he [] was []

He worked there until January of 1981, when he was []

He stated that in 1982 he became [] and as such was assigned to the committee and not exclusively to Senator TOWERS' staff. [] advised that due to this arrangement he was not knowledgeable or familiar with TOWERS' campaigns for Senate or in the campaign fund raising area. He stated that [] or [] who were Administrative Assistants to Senator TOWER would be much more knowledgeable in this area. He stated he had no knowledge of campaign contributions to Senator TOWER by any individuals.

[] was asked about an individual named [] and advised that he recalled meeting him on one or two occasions some years ago. He advised that he had no knowledge of any oil refinery problem that [] may have been having in which he approached Senator TOWER about and [] also advised that he was unaware of any campaign contributions [] may have made to TOWERS' election committee. His recollection was limited to the fact that []

He stated that [] never approached him personally regarding any defense or non-defense related items. [] was in fact not exactly sure what type of business [] was involved with.

[] advised that he did not know an individual named [] or (FNU) []

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Regarding the Navy C-FIN purchase, [] advised that TOWER in passing basically asked the status of the program on Capital Hill. He stated this was approximately late 1987 or early 1988. [] stated that this program was one of much controversy because the program was initiated by the House side of the Defense Appropriations area and there was typical political fighting over what contractors should be available to bid on the program. [] advised that TOWER was definitely not pushing for any one contractor over any others and merely ask about the status of the program.

[] provided the following biographical data upon himself:

Social Security Number:
Date of Birth:
Place of Birth:

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From:

Floyd I. Clarke
Assistant Director
Criminal Investigative Division

Subject:

JOHN GOODWIN TOWER
SPECIAL INQUIRY - PRESIDENTIAL APPOINTMENT
WITH SENATE CONFIRMATION

The FBI is in receipt of a request from the White House to conduct an expedite background investigation concerning Senator Tower who is being considered for an unspecified Presidential appointment which requires Senate confirmation.

Senator Tower was born on 9-29-25 in Houston Texas. He has Social Security number 451-46-9866.

[redacted] Department of State, [redacted]
[redacted] is believed to be knowledgeable concerning recently published allegations of womanizing and drinking by Senator Tower while he served as a negotiator in the START Talks in Geneva, Switzerland, in 1985 and 1986.

It is requested that [redacted] be interviewed as soon as possible regarding his knowledge, if any, of these allegations. It is further requested that you convey the results of [redacted] interview to the FBI (Attention: Special Inquiry Unit) through Supervisory Special Agent [redacted] as soon as possible due to the prominence of Senator Tower's nomination.

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Your assistance in this matter is greatly appreciated.

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NOTE: This lead is being sent to the Department of State as per the 12/8 request of [redacted] Presidential Transition Team to [redacted]

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[REDACTED] LEGAT ROME, ON 12/12/88.

BUREAU HAS BEEN REQUESTED TO CONDUCT EXPEDITE
INVESTIGATION OF TOWER FOR AN UNSPECIFIED PRESIDENTIAL
APPOINTMENT WHICH REQUIRES SENATE CONFIRMATION. TOWER IS
DESCRIBED AS BORN ON 9/29/25 IN HOUSTON, TEXAS. HE IS A FORMER
SENATOR, AND FROM 3/85 TO 4/86, HE WAS AN ARMS CONTROL
NEGOTIATOR IN GENEVA, SWITZERLAND.

PUBLIC SOURCE DOCUMENTS CONTAIN ALLEGATIONS OF TOWER'S
SEXUAL INDISCRETIONS (IN THE UNITED STATES AND ABROAD),
EXCESSIVE ALCOHOL CONSUMPTION, POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST,
AND SOLICITATION OR RECEIPT OF QUESTIONABLE OR ILLEGAL CAMPAIGN

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IN ADDITION THE PRESIDENT-ELECT'S TRANSITION TEAM SPECIFICALLY HAS REQUESTED THE FBI TO INTERVIEW [REDACTED] [REDACTED] DEPARTMENT OF STATE, [REDACTED] RE TOWER'S ALLEGED SEXUAL ACTIVITIES IN GENEVA, SWITZERLAND IN 1985-1986 WHILE A DISARMAMENT NEGOTIATOR AT THE START TALKS. THESE ALLEGATIONS INCLUDE TOWER'S RELATIONSHIP WITH [REDACTED] [REDACTED] AT THE U.S. MISSION, HIS RELATIONSHIP WITH A FEMALE SOVIET NATIONAL AND THAT HE IS ALLEGED TO HAVE PROCURED SEXUAL PARTNERS FOR HIS SOVIET COUNTERPARTS. [REDACTED] MAY BE KNOWLEDGEABLE RE THESE ALLEGATIONS OR OTHER MATTERS.

TELEPHONICALLY ADVISE FBIHQ, [REDACTED] FTS [REDACTED] OF THE RESULTS OF ABOVE INTERVIEW, AND FOLLOW BY IMMEDIATE SUMMARY TELETYPE TO THE ATTENTION OF [REDACTED] SPIN UNIT, ROOM 4371.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE CLEVELAND	OFFICE OF ORIGIN BUREAU	DATE 12/12/88	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 12/9-12/88
TITLE OF CASE JOHN GOODWIN TOWER		REPORT MADE BY SA [REDACTED] b6 b7C	TYPED BY jmp
		CHARACTER OF CASE SPIN (A)	

REFERENCE

Los Angeles teletype to Bureau, 12/8/88.
Cleveland facsimile to Bureau, 12/9/88.

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ADMINISTRATIVE

All persons interviewed were advised of the provisions of the Privacy Act and unless noted to the contrary waived confidentiality.

The Bureau will note that immediately upon receipt of referenced teletype an appointment was made to interview [REDACTED]. The earliest available appointment was 2:00 PM on December 9, 1988. Immediately after the interview the interview was dictated on form FD 302 and thereafter immediately transmitted to the Bureau via

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
Federal Bureau of Investigation

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Date: 12/12/88

Office: CLEVELAND

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Field Office File #: 161A-2381

Bureau File #: 161-20403

Title: JOHN GOODWIN TOWER

Character: SPECIAL INQUIRY (A)

Synopsis: [REDACTED] TRW, stated he has known JOHN TOWER for approximately 23 years on a professional basis. [REDACTED] had no derogatory information concerning TOWER but did identify [REDACTED] (phonetic) and [REDACTED] (phonetic) as female associates of TOWER.

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DETAILS:

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Date of transcription 12/9/88

[redacted] TRW Corporation, b6
[redacted] was interviewed by SA [redacted] b7C
[redacted] at TRW Headquarters, 1900 Richmond Road, Cleveland,
Ohio, and after having first been advised of the provisions
of the Privacy Act and after stating that he waived confidentiality
furnished the following information:

[redacted] stated that he has known JOHN TOWER approximately
23 years. He stated he first met TOWER when TOWER was in
the Senate and he, [redacted]
[redacted]

[redacted] stated that he does not know TOWER well and
knows him mainly on a professional basis but he stated based
on his associations with TOWER, TOWER has not expressed or
manifested any bias or prejudice against any group based upon
sex, race, color, religion, national origin, handicap or age.
[redacted] further advised that he does not know TOWER well
enough to comment on whether or not TOWER lives within his
financial means but [redacted] stated that he knew nothing derogatory
concerning TOWER's finances. TOWER, according to [redacted]
has never used illegal drugs nor does [redacted] have any
suspicion that TOWER used illegal drugs.

[redacted] stated that he was aware that allegations
have appeared in public source documents concerning Senator
TOWER's alleged sexual indiscretion, excessive alcohol consumption,
potential conflict of interest and questionable spending of
campaign contributions or knowledge of illegal contributions.
Regarding these matters, [redacted] stated that he knew that
TOWER was associated with a lady by the name of [redacted]
(phonetic) and another lady by the name of [redacted]
(phonetic). According to [redacted] he had seen TOWER with
these ladies at various functions. He stated that [redacted]
is [redacted] and that he believes he saw one
of the ladies at a meeting with TOWER at the Blair House which
is across from the White House in Washington, D. C. He further
stated that [redacted] had been to [redacted]
[redacted] stated that when he observed TOWER with these ladies,
even though it may have been for dinner or breakfast at a
hotel, he at all times conducted himself as a gentleman and

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he had no specific knowledge concerning any misconduct.

He further stated that he has seen TOWER on approximately six occasions drinking. He stated that these were at social functions and that TOWER drank neither excessive amounts of alcohol nor did he appear to be under the influence of alcohol.

_____ stated that he had no knowledge of any questionable spending of campaign contributions or any knowledge of illegal contributions. He stated that he knew that TOWER was doing some consulting work but he felt that this was proper and in the event TOWER received an appointment he would in all likelihood disassociate himself with these companies. _____

_____ stated he had no specific knowledge concerning any of the companies that TOWER would possibly be consulting with.

_____ stated that TOWER was willing to speak up when in meetings and that the questions he asked were very proper and showed insight into whatever problem was being discussed. He stated that he could recommend TOWER for a position of trust with the United States Government and trusted him to act within the interests of the United States of America.

_____ stated that he was not personally familiar with many of the friends and associates of Senator TOWER and was not in a position to comment on his moral character.

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SUBJECT: JOHN GOODWIN TOWER, SPIN, BUDED: PAST.

RE BUREAU TELCALL TO DALLAS, DECEMBER 13, 1988; TELEPHONE

CALL OF SSA [REDACTED] TO ALL RECEIVING OFFICES, DECEMBER 13,

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1988.

ON DECEMBER 13, 1988, APPOINTEE AND STAFF MEMBER, CONTACTED AT DALLAS, TEXAS, FURNISHED FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

APPOINTEE ENLISTED IN U.S. NAVY AVIATION CADET PROGRAM, JUNE, 1943 AT DALLAS, TEXAS. HE WAS CALLED UP IN SEPTEMBER, 1943 AND SERVED AT SEVERAL NAVY BASIS AS PART OF BEING ASSIGNED TO CADET TRAINING, DEPAW UNIVERSITY, GREENCASTLE, INDIANA, IN FEBRUARY, 1944. APPOINTEE APPARENTLY FAILED OUT OF THIS PROGRAM IN MAY, 1944 AND SUBSEQUENTLY SERVED AS AN ENLISTED MAN IN U.S. NAVY UNTIL RECEIVING HONORABLE DISCHARGE, RANK SEAMAN FIRST CLASS, ON MARCH 25, 1946 AT A NAVY STATION AT HITCHCOCK, TEXAS. APPOINTEE SUBSEQUENTLY SERVED IN U.S. NAVY RESERVE FROM THAT TIME UNTIL PRESENT. HE STATED HE IS CURRENTLY A MASTER CHIEF BOSUN MATE (E9) IN THE U.S. NAVY RESERVE (INACTIVE).

APPOINTEE'S NAVY SERIAL NUMBER DURING ACTIVE DUTY WAS 5746375.

APPOINTEE HAS SINCE SWITCHED TO USE OF SSAN AS ALL MILITARY DOES, WHICH IS 451-46-9865.

IN ABOUT JUNE, 1987, APPOINTEE, THROUGH [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] DOING BUSINESS AS [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] TELEPHONE [REDACTED] SIGNED CONTRACT TO WRIGHT
BOOK FOR LITTLE BROWN PUBLISHERS, LOCATED 205 LEXINGTON AVENUE,
NEW YORK CITY, NEW YORK. [REDACTED] WITH WHOM APPOINTEE AND
STAFF DEALT RE BOOK WAS [REDACTED] TELEPHONE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
APPOINTEE, THROUGH [REDACTED], WAS GIVEN AN ADVANCE
OF \$62,500 RE WRITING OF BOOK. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AND APPOINTEE, THEREAFTER, RECEIVED
APPROXIMATELY \$53,125.

APPOINTEE SUBSEQUENTLY [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

ON CONTRACT.

APPOINTEE AND STAFF WERE SUBSEQUENTLY UNABLE TO FINISH BOOK
BY DEADLINE, SO APPOINTEE RETURNED \$62,500 TO LITTLE BROWN.

APPOINTEE NOTED THAT THIS TRANSACTION COST HIM APPROXIMATELY
\$26,375 INASMUCH AS [REDACTED] RETAINED THEIR ADVANCE
FEES.

INDIANAPOLIS, AT GREENCASTLE, INDIANA: CONDUCT APPROPRIATE
INQUIRY OF APPOINTEE AT DEPAW UNIVERSITY. IT IS NOTED
APPOINTEE'S NAVAL CADET RECORD MAY OR MAY NOT BE LOCATED IN

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RECORDS OF UNIVERSITY.

DALLAS WILL FACSIMILE COPY OF RELEASE FORM TO INDIANAPOLIS
RE THE ABOVE.

NEW YORK DIVISION, AT NEW YORK CITY, NEW YORK: THROUGH
CONTACT WITH [REDACTED] LITTLE BROWN PUBLISHERS, 205
LEXINGTON AVENUE, OBTAINED DETAILS OF APPOINTEE'S BOOK PUBLISHING
ARRANGEMENT.

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NEW ORLEANS DIVISION, AT NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA: AT NAVAL
RESERVE PERSONNEL CENTER, REVIEW APPOINTEE'S NAVY RECORD TO
INCLUDE ACTIVE AND RESERVE DUTY.

IT IS TO BE NOTED THAT RE TELEPHONE CALL, BUREAU TO DALLAS,
DECEMBER 13, 1988, INDICATED THAT ATTEMPT TO LOCATE SAME AT ST.
LOUIS, MISSOURI, HAD BEEN NEGATIVE.

SAN DIEGO DIVISION, AT LA JOLLA, CALIFORNIA: THROUGH
INTERVIEW OF APPOINTEE'S [REDACTED]
OBTAINED DETAILS OF HER KNOWLEDGE OF APPOINTEE'S BOOK WRITING
DEAL.

WMFO, AT WASHINGTON, D.C.: THROUGH INTERVIEW OF [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] VERIFY APPOINTEE'S PAYMENT OF [REDACTED] ETC. RE BOOK
WRITING DEAL.

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ROOM 4371) **Date** 12/13/88

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FROM: SAC, WFO 161 A - 19411

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Subject:

JOHN GOODWIN TOWER

SPIN A

BUDED: PAST

RE: WMFO report dated 12/10/88,
WMFO routing slip dated 12/12/88
And Bureau telephone call from
SSA SPIN Unit, to WMFO
on 12/12/88.

Enclosed for Bureau are the results of additional investigation conducted in connection with captioned matter:

- ✓ 1) Arlington, Virginia Police Department check negative
- ✓ 2) Common Cause recontacted and offered no comment
- ✓ 3) Interviews of and

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IA [] caused a search to be made of the files of the Arlington, Virginia, Police Department and was advised on December 13, 1988, that no record was located concerning the appointee. It is to be noted that at all times an indefinite number of unidentified records are out of file and an accurate search cannot be made.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent (SA) [REDACTED] on December 12, 1988, regarding the appointee, JOHN GOODWIN TOWER.

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[REDACTED] Common Cause, 2030 M Street, Northwest, Washington, D.C., stated that Common Cause has taken no position on the possible selection of the appointee for the office of Secretary of Defense, and can offer no comment.

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On December 12, 1988, Special Agent [redacted] conducted the following investigation concerning the appointee, JOHN GOODWIN TOWER.

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[redacted] Presidential Personnel, Office of the President-elect, 1825 Connecticut Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C., advised that he has known the appointee on a professional and social basis since 1977. [redacted] was a member of the [redacted]

[redacted] During this time, he and the appointee became good friends.

[redacted] and the appointee were in close contact, and traveled extensively, during the time he was on the appointee's staff and they still maintain occasional social contact.

[redacted] never knew the appointee to use alcohol to excess, abuse it, or manifest a dependency on it. When the appointee drank, he would have only a couple of glasses of white wine.

[redacted] has never known the appointee to be involved in any way with illegal drugs, including its use, possession, or sale. He is also unaware of any prescription drug abuse by the appointee.

[redacted] said that the appointee has always lived within his means and is financially prudent. He has never had any indication that the appointee spends excessively or would get himself into bad debt. [redacted] advised that a former staff member of the appointee's, [redacted] who lives in [redacted] telephone number [redacted] handles the appointee's personal finances. [redacted] is unaware of any illegal activity of the appointee concerning campaign funds, either with contributions or spending, and had no reason to question the integrity of the appointee's handling of campaign funds.

[redacted] stated that the appointee is emotionally stable. He said that the appointee has never, either while drinking or otherwise, shown any signs of suffering from

depression, mood swings, suicidal thoughts, or any other psychological problems. Physically, [] said that the appointee appears to have no problems except smoking too much.

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He is unaware of any aspect of the appointee's character, reputation, or associates that would reflect poorly upon the appointee. [] has never known of any sexual indiscretions or womanizing by the appointee. [] said that he did not have any contact with the appointee while he was in Geneva, Switzerland, in 1985 - 1986. [] gave the appointee "an A+ with respect to moral character."

[] does not have any knowledge of potential conflicts of interest that the appointee's past work for defense contractors would cause. He added that the appointee was always conscientious about avoiding conflicts of interest while he was a Senator and assumed that he would continue to act in the same manner.

[] said that the appointee has never expressed or manifested any bias or prejudice for or against any class of citizen or any religious, racial, or ethnic group.

[] only knowledge concerning the appointee's connection with the Republic Bank Corporation, Dallas, Texas, is that the appointee either did not serve as a director or resigned soon afterwards in order to go to Geneva, Switzerland, as an arms negotiator.

[] said that the appointee is loyal to the United States Government and is well suited for access to classified or sensitive materials. He said that the appointee is security conscious and would not divulge classified or sensitive material, either while drinking or otherwise.

Overall, [] knows of nothing derogatory concerning the appointee. He is also unaware of anything that would cause embarrassment to the appointee or the Bush Administration.

[] highly recommended the appointee for a position of trust and confidence with the United States Government. He said that the appointee "is the best qualified individual in the world for the position of Secretary of Defense."

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent (SA) [redacted] on December 12, 1988, regarding the appointee, JOHN GOODWIN TOWER.

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[redacted] Governmental Operations, Rockwell International, 1745 Jefferson Davis Highway, Crystal City, Virginia, telephone [redacted] advised that he has known the appointee both socially and professionally for approximately five years, but does not know him real well. He further advised that he has met with the appointee relating to Rockwell business once or twice, and attended a number of fundraisers and dinners that the appointee was also attending. [redacted] indicated that he has found the appointee to be very knowledgeable with respect to defense issues and also very personable.

[redacted] volunteered that he has no personal knowledge of any alcohol abuse or womanizing on the part of the appointee, and stated that he does not know the origin of the rumors which attribute such conduct to the appointee. He also does not know the appointee to abuse prescription drugs, buy, or sell, or use illegal drugs. [redacted] believes the appointee is physically healthy, mentally stable and living within his financial means. He has not observed anything that would indicate that the appointee is biased or prejudiced toward any group or class of citizen.

[redacted] does not believe that the appointee's past work for various defense contractors will present a conflict of interest problem because the appointee has worked with a number of companies, rather than a single company. [redacted] has no knowledge of illegal contributions to the appointee's campaign or illegal expenditures of campaign funds. Likewise, he has no knowledge of the appointee participating in any illegal banking activities and is not familiar with the Republic Bank Corporation of Dallas, Texas.

[redacted] judged the appointee to be a loyal citizen and suited for access to classified and sensitive materials or information. He concluded by recommending the appointee for a position of trust and confidence with the United States, and indicated that he believes the appointee will do a good job.

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SUBJECT: JOHN GOODWIN TOWER; SPIN (A); BUDED: DECEMBER 9, 1988.

THIS COMMUNICATION IS UNCLASSIFIED EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE
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ON DECEMBER 12, 1988, [REDACTED] BORN [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] IN [REDACTED] EMPLOYED AS [REDACTED] AT THE U.S.

MISSION, GENEVA, SWITZERLAND, FOR THE PAST THIRTEEN YEARS ADVISED

AS FOLLOWS: (U)

[REDACTED] THE OFFICIAL

RESIDENCE USED BY AMBASSADOR JOHN TOWER IN GENEVA [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] AMBASSADOR TOWER WAS IN GENEVA DURING 1985-1986.

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[REDACTED] ADVISED SHE DID NOT KNOW AMBASSADOR TOWER TO HAVE ANY SORT OF DRINKING PROBLEM. SHE STATED THAT TO HER KNOWLEDGE, TOWER ONLY DRANK SOCIALLY AT RECEPTIONS AND SO FORTH. SHE NEVER SAW HIM INTOXICATED OR IN ANY WAY IMPAIRED BY TOO MUCH ALCOHOL OR FOR ANY OTHER REASONS. TO HER KNOWLEDGE, TOWER DID NOT HAVE THE REPUTATION OF BEING AN ALCOHOL ABUSER OR EVEN A HEAVY DRINKER.

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CONCERNING ALLEGATIONS THAT TOWER MAY HAVE BEEN INVOLVED IN EXTRA-MARITAL AFFAIRS WHILE IN GENEVA, [REDACTED] STATED SHE HAD NO KNOWLEDGE OF TOWER BEING INVOLVED IN ANY AFFAIRS WITH OTHER WOMEN AND DENIED THAT SHE AND TOWER WERE IN ANY WAY INVOLVED SEXUALLY OR OTHERWISE. [REDACTED] STATED SHE NEVER SAW ANY OTHER WOMEN STAYING AT THE RESIDENCE, NOR DID SHE EVER OBSERVE ANY ACTIVITY SUGGESTIVE OF TOWER BEING SEXUALLY INVOLVED WITH OTHER WOMEN. (U)

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WAS ASKED ONLY AS TO WHETHER SHE HAD EVER HEARD ANY RUMORS OR TALK OF SUCH ACTIVITIES BY TOWER, TO WHICH SHE REPLIED IN THE NEGATIVE. WHEN ASKED WHETHER SHE HAD HEARD TALK OF SUCH ACTIVITIES BY MRS. TOWER, [REDACTED] REPLIED THAT SHE QUICKLY LEARNED NOT TO PAY ANY ATTENTION TO WHAT MRS. TOWER SAID.

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[REDACTED] DESCRIBED MRS. TOWER AS "A CRAZY LADY" WHO WAS VERY HARD TO WORK FOR, WAS CONTINUALLY VERY DEMANDING ABOUT INSIGNIFICANT THINGS. WHEN ASKED TO COMMENT SPECIFICALLY ON THE TYPES OF THINGS MRS. TOWER TALKED ABOUT, [REDACTED] SAID SHE COULD NOT RECALL ANY SPECIFICS, ONLY THAT SHE WAS CONTINUALLY COMPLAINING AND "TALKING NONSENSE". (U)

ON DECEMBER 12, 1988, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] U.S.

MISSION, GENEVA, SWITZERLAND, WAS INTERVIEWED AND PROVIDED THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

[REDACTED] HAS BEEN [REDACTED] AT GENEVA SINCE 1984 AND IT IS HER JOB TO [REDACTED] [REDACTED] TO INCLUDE JOHN TOWER WHILE HE WAS ASSIGNED TO GENEVA IN 1985-86. [REDACTED] ADVISED SHE WORKED QUITE CLOSELY WITH MR. TOWER AND HIS WIFE TO

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NO TIME WAS SHE EVER AWARE THAT TOWER HAD AN ALCOHOL ABUSE PROBLEM AND SHE HAS SEEN NO EVIDENCE OF SUCH A PROBLEM.

[REDACTED] FURTHER ADVISED THAT SHE NEVER SAW ANY INDICATION THAT MR. TOWER MAY HAVE BEEN INVOLVED IN ANY SEXUAL AFFAIRS WITH OTHER WOMEN. SHE ADVISED THAT TOWER DID NOT STRIKE HER AS THE TYPE OF PERSON WHO WOULD PURSUE SEXUAL AFFAIRS WITH OTHER WOMEN AND DESCRIBED HIM AS A PERFECT GENTLEMAN. (U)

[REDACTED] WAS SOMEWHAT SURPRISED THAT SUCH AN ALLEGATION WOULD BE MADE AGAINST TOWER IN THAT SHE RECALLS A NUMBER OF PRIVATE CONVERSATIONS WITH MRS. TOWER IN WHICH MRS. TOWER OFTEN TALKED OF HOW WELL THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN HER AND HER HUSBAND WORKED. [REDACTED] IS NOT AWARE OF MRS. TOWER EVER MAKING ANY ACCUSATIONS THAT MR. TOWER WAS INVOLVED WITH OTHER WOMEN. (U)

SWH ON DECEMBER 12, 1988, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] U.S. MISSION, GENEVA, ADVISED HE HELD THE POST OF [REDACTED] UP UNTIL [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WAS

[REDACTED] WHEN THE TOWER'S ARRIVED IN GENEVA IN MARCH, 1985. [REDACTED]

ADVISED HE WAS PRESENT AT ABOUT SIX COCKTAIL PARTIES, RECEPTIONS

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OR DINNERS WITH TOWER AFTER HIS ARRIVAL IN GENEVA AND NEVER RECEIVED ANY INDICATION THAT TOWER HAD A DRINKING PROBLEM, NOR HAS HE EVER HEARD ANY INFORMATION OF THAT NATURE. [] FURTHER ADVISED THAT HE NEVER OBSERVED ANYTHING OR RECEIVED ANY INFORMATION TO INDICATE THAT TOWER WAS INVOLVED IN ANY EXTRA MARITAL AFFAIRS. (U)

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[] OBSERVED THAT HE WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR []

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GENEVA DURING HIS TENURE AND TOWER WAS VERY EASY TO WORK WITH AND [] WAS NEVER AWARE OF ANY PROBLEMS. MRS. TOWER, ON THE OTHER HAND, WAS A CONSTANT SOURCE OF IRRITATION AND [] ESTIMATED HE SPENT ABOUT 60 PERCENT OF HIS TIME RESPONDING TO AND TRYING TO SATISFY HER DEMANDS. [] CITED AS AN EXAMPLE THAT WHEN THE TOWERS ARRIVED IN GENEVA, THEY WERE GIVEN A LUXURY APARTMENT THAT WAS FORMERLY THE SUMMER RESIDENCE OF THE OLD CROATIAN KINGS, LOCATED DIRECTLY ON LAKE GENEVA. THIS APARTMENT HAD BEEN OCCUPIED BY PREVIOUS AMBASSADORS AND HIGH-RANKING GENERAL OFFICERS. MRS. TOWER DEMANDED WITHIN TWO HOURS AFTER THEIR ARRIVAL THAT THEY BE RELOCATED FROM THIS "HOLE". ON NUMEROUS OCCASIONS, [] WAS THREATENED BY MRS. TOWER WITH LOSS OF HIS JOB

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THE PERSON HE HAD REFERRED TO EARLIER WAS [REDACTED]

INTERVIEWED ABOVE. APPARENTLY, THERE WAS A MISUNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN [REDACTED] AND ASSISTANT LEGAT [REDACTED] AS TO EXACTLY WHOM

[REDACTED] WAS REFERRING WHEN HE INDICATED THE REFERENCE PERSON HAD

[REDACTED] AS [REDACTED] CLARIFIED ON DECEMBER 12, 1988, THAT HE

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214-521-9494) FOR IDENTITY AND ADDRESS OF HIS [REDACTED]

AND [REDACTED] AT LITTLE BROWN PUBLISHERS SO THAT TERMS AND
RESOLUTION OF HIS CONTRACT TO WRITE A BOOK CAN BE DETERMINED.
SET APPROPRIATE LEAD(S) IF THOSE INDIVIDUALS ARE NOT IN DL'S
TERRITORY.

CONFIRM SENATOR TOWER'S MILITARY SERVICE TO INCLUDE DATES
OF SERVICE (ACTIVE AND RESERVE), RANK AND DATE OF AND TYPE OF
DISCHARGE.

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DETAILS:

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On December 12, 1988, [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA, [REDACTED] Charlottesville, Virginia, advised that he was formerly the [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] and was JOHN GOODWIN
TOWER's [REDACTED] for approximately nine years. [REDACTED] stated that
TOWER is a smart, intelligent, strong-willed individual who has a
lot of experience in matters related to the defense of the United
States. [REDACTED] stated that he considers TOWER to be of good
character, reputation, and loyalty. [REDACTED] stated that he could
not comment on TOWER's associates, as their relationship was
strictly a [REDACTED] relationship. [REDACTED] stated that he

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believes TOWER to be living within his financial means and does not believe that he harbors any prejudices against any individual or group based upon race, religion, age, sex, national origin, or handicap. [] stated that as far as he knows, TOWER has never used or experimented with any illegal drugs or abused alcohol. [] stated that he recalls seeing TOWER take an alcoholic drink at a party in 1985, but that TOWER certainly did not drink to excess on that occasion. [] stated that he saw no physical evidence of alcohol abuse during the physical examinations he performed on TOWER. [] stated that he performed two complete physicals on TOWER, and that TOWER's biggest problem appeared to be heavy cigarette smoking. [] also stated that TOWER had a heart murmur, but at that time, it was not of a functional severity to be of any consequence. [] also stated that he had no direct knowledge of TOWER being involved in any type of sexual indiscretions, either in the United States or abroad, including the period while he was in Geneva, Switzerland, in 1985 to 1986. [] further stated that he had no direct knowledge of TOWER ever suffering from any mental incapacities. [] stated that he had no knowledge of TOWER being involved in any type of conflict of interest, illegal campaign contributions or spending, or any illegal activities concerning banking. [] stated that he recommends TOWER for a position of trust and responsibility with the United States Government.

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On December 13, 1988, [] stated that the two physical examinations he performed on TOWER were on a voluntary basis and that TOWER elected to have both physicals performed. [] stated that he does not recall the exact dates of the examinations, but the latest examination was performed between 1980 and 1982. [] stated that the exact dates could be determined from TOWER's [] located at the [] [] Washington, D.C., telephone number []

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Dear []

In accordance with a request received from your office on December 2, 1988, a background investigation has been initiated concerning Senator John Goodwin Tower. Transmitted herewith is a copy of a summary memorandum containing the partial results of this investigation, along with a copy of an interview providing details of information contained in this summary memorandum.

A background investigation was conducted concerning Senator Tower in 1987. The results of that investigation have been incorporated into this summary memorandum. Senator Tower was also the subject of a background investigation conducted by the Department of State in 1985, the results of which are enclosed.

During the course of an interview of Senator Tower on December 3, 1988, the results of which are incorporated in this summary memorandum, he indicated that he has made an accounting to the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) for the expenditure of campaign contributions that remained after he chose not to run for re-election to the United States Senate in 1984. You may wish to contact the IRS directly for information regarding this matter.

As contained in the enclosed summary memorandum, Senator Tower's name has surfaced during the course of an ongoing criminal investigation, entitled "Ill Wind", which focuses upon allegations of fraud and bribery within the Department of Defense. Much of the evidence developed to date emanates from, among other things, consensually monitored conversations or court ordered electronic surveillance. It is the understanding of the FBI that, as per the direction of Henry E. Hudson, United States Attorney for the

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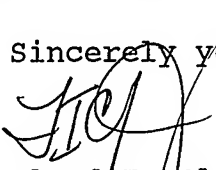
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Eastern District of Virginia, dissemination of this information should be restricted, and is releasable only to the Vice-President; [redacted] to the President of the United States; [redacted] of the Attorney General of the United States; [redacted] for the President-Elect of the United States; and yourself.

The information contained in this summary memorandum concerning Senator Tower's involvement in "Ill Wind" reflects all information known to the FBI at this time and does not reflect any circumstances which may be subsequently disclosed and which could impact upon Senator Tower's suitability. Attempts were made to investigate and resolve as many of the issues concerning Senator Tower as possible while not disrupting or interfering with the natural progression of the ongoing "Ill Wind" criminal investigation.

Additional interviews and records checks at the Federal Election Commission, Securities and Exchange Commission, Federal Communications Commission, Central Intelligence Agency, and Public Integrity Section at the Department of Justice, remain outstanding. We will forward the results of the above-mentioned investigation to your office when that information is made available.

Sincerely yours,


Floyd I. Clarke
Assistant Director
Criminal Investigative Division

Enclosures (9)

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NOTE: Senator Tower is currently self-employed as a lobbyist/consultant. He is being investigated for an unspecified Presidential appointment, which requires Senate confirmation. A review of public source documents indicates that Senator Tower is being considered for the position of Secretary of Defense.

Investigation revealed the following allegations against Senator Tower: sexual indiscretions, abuse of alcohol, mental incapacities (as alleged by his former spouse), criticism of his ties to defense contractors (possible conflict of interest), and improper spending of campaign contributions which remained when he retired from the Senate.

Additionally, [REDACTED] name surfaced in the "Ill Wind" investigation in [REDACTED] intercepted conversations. Dissemination of that information on a "need to know" basis is authorized in the attached memorandum dated December 1, 1988, from Henry E. Hudson, United States Attorney, Eastern District of Virginia, to Francis A. Keating, II, Associate Attorney General, which states that the Title III electronic surveillance information may be released, pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 2517 (2), to the Vice-President; [REDACTED] to the President; [REDACTED] of the Attorney General; [REDACTED] for the President-Elect; and [REDACTED] to the President-Elect/Counsel to the Vice-President. (Dissemination to [REDACTED] was authorized in a 12/13/88 telephone conversation between Mr. Hudson and ASAC [REDACTED] [REDACTED] WMFO.)

During the course of this investigation, a NEXIS check disclosed over 9,000 articles in which John Tower was referenced. In addition, major newspaper morgues in Texas disclosed over 4,000 additional articles in which he was referenced. All of these articles were reviewed by the SPIN Unit and the Dallas Division respectively, many of which contained references to the aforementioned allegations of Senator Tower's sexual indiscretions, drinking, spending of campaign contributions, and possible conflict of interest due to his ties to the defense industry. The articles specifically mentioned by Senator Tower during the course of his initial interview were reviewed and were obtained through appropriate newspaper morgues: Atlanta Constitution article 11/13/88, Legal Times article 2/1/88; Fort Worth Star Telegram articles February, 1976, and 5/22/82.

During the course of this and the 1987 background investigation, references to Senator Tower appeared in ISIS (PAPERSUB) in the New Haven Division. The documents containing [REDACTED] [REDACTED] are protected by Rule 6(E), Federal (Note continued on next page.)

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Rules of Criminal Procedure, and could not be provided to FBIHQ for review. However, the NH Division, FBI, has advised that the references are non-derogatory, and only involve correspondence to and from Senator Tower when he was chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee.

This summary memorandum was coordinated with [redacted]
[redacted] Governmental Fraud Unit, WCCS, CID. *WCCS*

Investigation is complete, except for:

Interviews of [redacted] among others: [redacted]

[redacted]
[redacted] General Counsel at the FEC; [redacted]
[redacted] Senator Tower's [redacted] or contact at Little, Brown Publishers; [redacted] and [redacted]

Checks at PIS, DOJ, SEC, FCC, CIA and FEC. The FEC is also to provide an opinion on the disbursement of funds by the Tower Senate Club.

Verifying Senator Tower's affiliation as a consultant with Maxwell Communication, London, England and Jeford-McManus, Washington, D. C. Verifying Senator Tower's military service and relationship with Little, Brown Publishers. Attempting to ascertain the date to registered as a lobbyist.

Enclosed are the following documents:

1. Copy of background investigation conducted by DOS in 1985;
2. Copy of DOJ memorandum dated 12/1/88 from Henry E. Hudson, United States Attorney, to Francis A. Keating, II, Associate Attorney General;
3. Copy of United States Senate Select Committee on Ethics letter and attachment dated 1/25/85.
4. Interview of T-1, [redacted] dated 12/3/88. ^{b7D}
5. Copies of the aforementioned newspaper articles.

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THE INVESTIGATION OF SENATOR TOWER COVERED INQUIRIES IN THE UNITED STATES; BRUSSELS, BELGIUM; GENEVA, SWITZERLAND; AND LONDON, ENGLAND AS TO HIS CHARACTER, LOYALTY, AND GENERAL STANDING, BUT NO INQUIRIES WERE MADE AS TO THE SOURCES OF HIS INCOME.

This summary memorandum contains the partial results of an investigation concerning Senator Tower. Additional investigation is being conducted.

Birth

Senator Tower was born on September 29, 1925, in Houston, Texas.

Education

Senator Tower attended Southwestern University, Georgetown, Texas, from fall, 1942, to spring, 1943, and from spring, 1946, to spring, 1948, receiving a Bachelor of Arts degree in history/government.

Senator Tower attended Southern Methodist University (SMU), Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, Dallas, Texas, during the spring and summer of 1949, and from summer, 1950, to spring, 1951, receiving a Master of Arts degree in August, 1953. Records also indicate he enrolled in the SMU School of Law in the fall of 1949, and the spring of 1950, after which he was ineligible to continue law school due to poor grades.

Senator Tower attended the London School of Economics, London, England, from 1952 to 1953 (months not indicated), receiving no degree.

Military Service

Senator Tower indicated that he served in the United States Navy from 1943 to 1946. This has not yet been verified.

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Employment

While pursuing an education, Senator Tower was employed on an intermittent part-time, full-time basis as a radio announcer or insurance salesman in Beaumont, Taylor, or Dallas, Texas. His employment as an insurance salesman could not be verified as the company is no longer in existence, and the former owner is deceased.

September, 1951, to
June, 1960

Midwestern University, Wichita
Falls, Texas, as an assistant
professor

June, 1961, to
January, 1985

United States Senator from Texas

January, 1985, and
from April, 1986,
to the present

Self-employed as
consultant/lobbyist, doing business
as Tower and Associates,
Washington, D. C. Senator Tower's
clients include British Aerospace,
Incorporated; Hicks and Associates;
LTV Aerospace and Defense Company;
Martin Marietta Corporation;
Rockwell International; and
Textron, Incorporated. Senator
Tower indicated that he serves
or had served as a consultant for
Maxwell Communications, London,
England. This has not yet been
verified. Senator Tower also
indicated he was formerly a
consultant for Jeford-McManus.
This has not yet been verified.

March, 1985, to
April, 1986

United States Arms Control and
Disarmament Agency, (ACDA)
Washington, D. C., as a United
States strategic arms negotiator
with the rank of Ambassador in
Geneva, Switzerland

December, 1986, to
March, 1987

President's Special Review Board,
Washington, D. C., as Chairman

November, 1987, to
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President's Foreign Intelligence
Advisory Board, Washington, D. C.
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In addition to the above employments, Senator Tower is now or has been involved in the following professional and educational organizations as a member or officer: Tower, Eggers, and Greene, Incorporated; Southern Methodist University; Republic Bank Corporation; and Advanced Intelligence Technology Corporation, all of Dallas, Texas; Southwestern University, Georgetown, Texas; Astrotech International Corporation, and General Space Corporation, both of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; British Aerospace, Incorporated, and Gray and Company, both of Washington, D. C.; and Pergamon Brassey's International Defense Publishers, Incorporated, McLean, Virginia.

Public source documents indicate that Senator Tower contracted with Little, Brown Publishers to author a book. This has not yet been verified.

When not engaged as noted above, Senator Tower was unemployed and residing in Wichita Falls, Texas.

Family Status

Senator Tower is divorced, and resides in Apartment 21 B at 3525 Turtle Creek Boulevard, Dallas, Texas. Senator Tower also maintains a residence at the Jefferson Hotel, 1200 16th Street, Northwest, Washington, D. C.

Records of the Thirtieth District Court, Wichita Falls, Texas, disclosed that Joza Lou Bullington Tower, plaintiff, and John G. Tower, defendant, were divorced on December 27, 1976, on the grounds of irreconcilable differences.

Records of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia, Washington, D. C., disclosed that Lilla Burt Cummings Tower, plaintiff, and John Goodwin Tower, defendant, were divorced on September 10, 1987, on the grounds of voluntary separation without cohabitation for more than six months with no hope of reconciliation.

Senator Tower's father, Joe Z. Tower, is deceased. Senator Tower has listed the following living close relatives:

Mother

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Daughter

Marian Goodwin Tower
Dallas, Texas

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[redacted] [redacted]

Based on the background information furnished by Senator Tower, he has no close relatives residing in communist-controlled countries.

Interviews

An individual, who requested total confidentiality,¹ advised that he/she was familiar with Senator Tower's prior marriage to Lilla Burt Cummings Tower. He/she stated that Senator Tower is "an alcoholic", noting that he would drink enough to slur his words. He/she stated that [redacted] would be able to comment on Senator Tower's consumption of alcohol during the period of time between his two marriages, as Senator Tower [redacted] [redacted] during that time. He/she could not provide specifics as to the frequency or volume of Senator Tower's alcohol consumption. He/she spoke to Senator Tower about seeking professional help for his alcoholism, and believes that the Towers consulted a marriage counselor who had worked with alcoholics. He/she recalls that at least one individual spoke to the [redacted] [redacted] concerning Senator Tower's consumption of alcohol, and that one of Senator Tower's former aides, [redacted] spoke to him about his drinking. He/she was told that Mrs. Tower spoke to Senator Tower's [redacted] about how easily Senator Tower could be "set up" by the Russians because of his reputation regarding women and drinking. However, he/she is unaware of any unauthorized disclosures of information on the part of Senator Tower, stating "I would doubt there are any."

He/she also stated that Senator Tower experienced mood swings, such as depression, contemplation of suicide on several occasions, and, at other times, rage. He/she added that Senator Tower's response to those moods was to further abuse alcohol.

He/she related that Mrs. Tower had been told by several individuals of Senator Tower's alleged sexual misconduct and association with women other than Mrs. Tower during their marriage. Senator Tower was said to have been involved with [redacted] [redacted] a [redacted] a [redacted] employee; and [redacted] in Geneva, Switzerland. Mrs. Tower had no positive information to

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substantiate these allegations; however, he/she believes that

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and [] would be knowledgeable of Senator Tower's affairs.

He/she had no knowledge of any drug use, unusual contact with foreign nationals, or criminal activity on the part of Senator Tower. He/she has no knowledge of Senator Tower's possible acceptance or solicitation of illegal campaign contributions, but believes that his private office in Washington, D. C. was paid for illegally by campaign contributions. He/she stated that [] of [] would be knowledgeable of this matter.

He/she does not recommend Senator Tower for a position of trust and confidence with the United States government.

[] advised he has known Senator Tower on a professional and social basis since 1975. He considers Senator Tower to be honest, fair-minded, and loyal. He advised that Senator Tower does not abuse alcohol or use drugs, and knows of no unfavorable information concerning Senator Tower. [] has no firsthand knowledge of sexual indiscretions on the part of Senator Tower. He recommended him for a position of trust and responsibility with United States government.

[] University of Virginia, [] Charlottesville, Virginia, advised that he was formerly the []. He performed two [] on Senator Tower on a voluntary basis. [] could not recall the exact dates, but believed the latest one occurred between 1980 and 1982. During those examinations, he saw no evidence of alcohol abuse on the part of Senator Tower. He recommended him for a position of trust and responsibility.

[] described Senator Tower as an intelligent individual who is dedicated and motivated to serve his country. She stated that Senator Tower does drink, but she does not consider his use of alcohol to be abusive. She recommends him for a position of trust and responsibility without reservation.

[] for International Security Policy, Washington, D. C., characterized Senator Tower as "a great statesman" who is a good leader. [] denied ever being approached by Mrs. Tower concerning Senator Tower's womanizing or susceptibility to entrapment by the Soviets. Mrs. Tower mentioned to him that she was afraid that Senator Tower was becoming depressed and drinking excessively; however, [] never saw any evidence of it. He considers Senator Tower to be emotionally and financially stable, and has

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never known him to abuse alcohol or drugs. He "absolutely" recommends him for a position of trust and responsibility.

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[redacted] Tower and Associates, Dallas, Texas, advised that she has been [redacted] Senator Tower for [redacted]. She noted that recent news articles have raised innuendoes concerning Senator Tower's reputation, which are, in her opinion, totally false. She has known Senator Tower to consume alcohol, but she does not consider it abusive. She has never seen him miss a day of work or be incapacitated for work or other duty due to his use of alcohol. Concerning recent articles criticizing his handling of campaign contributions, Ms. Kirkendall advised that the fund was professionally managed and, to the best of her knowledge, none of the money was used for Senator Tower's personal use. She also opined that any suggestions of marital misconduct are baseless. She highly recommends him for a position of trust and responsibility.

[redacted] John Tower and Associates, Washington, D. C., advised that she has known Senator Tower on a professional basis since 1985, when she was [redacted] to the [redacted] round of START negotiations. She also considers herself a close friend of the Senator's, and stated that he is a complete gentleman, and has never made an advance towards her. She stated she has never has a personal relationship with Senator Tower. [redacted] related that she is aware of an allegation that Senator Tower had a relationship with [redacted] but she has never seen any basis in fact to lead her to believe this allegation is true. She stated she is also aware of allegations that Senator Tower was [redacted] before he separated from his wife, and, to the best of her knowledge, she never knew him [redacted] before he separated. She stated that Senator Tower occasionally drinks alcohol; however, she has never seen him inebriated or even "slightly tipsy." She recommended him for a position of trust and confidence.

[redacted] stated that she has only met Senator Tower in person on four occasions, thus, much of her knowledge of him is based on hearsay and what she has been told by his former wife, Lilla Cummings Tower. She advised that he has always had a reputation as an alcoholic, although she has never seen him drunk. She has never seen him with a woman other than his wife. She commented that she does not know Senator Tower well enough to provide a recommendation.

[redacted] advised that she has known Senator Tower since approximately 1980, and considers him to be first and foremost, a "news source". She described him as a skilled

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politician who is intelligent, quick-witted and knowledgeable about the defense industry. She stated that the assumption in the media that she was involved with Senator Tower is incorrect, and emphasized that she has no knowledge of any activities by Senator Tower that would substantiate his being described as a "womanizer". To her knowledge, Senator Tower does not abuse alcohol or use drugs. She considers him highly qualified for a position of trust and responsibility; however, she declined to recommend him, indicating it is her policy never to recommend anyone for anything.

[redacted] with Eggers & Greene, Dallas, Texas, advised he has known Senator Tower since the late 1950's. He described Senator Tower as a loyal and faithful man. He commented that interrogatories submitted during the course of Senator Tower's second divorce, which questioned how many other women Senator Tower had seen 1983, were drafted in order to raise the amount of alimony for his second wife, and were not directed towards his fidelity or infidelity. For additional comments of [redacted] see the Issues section of this summary memorandum. b6 b7C

Joza Lou B. Tower, Senator Tower's first wife, stated that she considers Senator Tower to be a person of excellent moral character, associates, loyalty, and a person with whom she has maintained a cordial relationship. She has never known him to use drugs, and, in her opinion, he would never accept an illegal contribution or gratuity in exchange for the use of his influence. Mrs. Tower stated that there was a period of time when Senator Tower used to drink a considerable amount of alcohol; however, she did not feel it ever affected his performance of duty or incapacitated him for duty. As far as she is aware, his drinking of alcohol currently is very moderate. She recommends him without reservation for a position of trust and confidence.

Fifty-nine additional persons, consisting of current and former colleagues and subordinates, present and former neighbors, references, professional associates, associates, and social acquaintances, were interviewed. They advised Senator Tower is a loyal American whose character, reputation, and associates are above reproach. They stated they are unaware of any illegal drug use or alcohol abuse by Senator Tower, nor have they ever known him to exhibit any type of bias or prejudice against any class of citizen or any type of religious, racial or ethnic group. They also commented that they believe Senator Tower lives within his financial means. Former colleagues in Congress characterized him as a "seasoned politician" and firm leader who enjoyed a distinguished career. They commented that Senator Tower possessed "incredible work habits", adding that he was responsive, capable, cooperative, and a was "man of his word." His former colleagues also stated that Senator Tower was intelligent, knowledgeable, highly professional, and strong on defense issues. Professional

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associates, familiar with Senator Tower's tenure as an arms control negotiator, described him as a tough negotiator who was committed to his job. They referred to him as direct, sincere, hardworking, and conscientious. It was said by one of those associates that one of Senator Tower's greatest attributes was his ability to remain calm and patient when dealing with others. Other associates consider Senator Tower to be composed, level-headed, and stable, possessing a professional demeanor and good sense of business acumen. They further commented that Senator Tower is an articulate and effective orator. Subordinates depicted him as a fair, helpful, and caring individual. Neighbors reported that Senator Tower is friendly and compassionate, and that he enjoys a good reputation in the neighborhood. They recommended him for a position of trust and responsibility.

Among those interviewed are the following:

The Honorable Strom Thurmond, Senator from South Carolina, Washington, D. C.;

The Honorable John C. Stennis, Senator from Mississippi, Washington, D. C.;

The Honorable John McCain, Senator from Arizona, Washington, D. C.;

The Honorable Jeff Bingaman, Senator from New Mexico, Washington, D. C.;

The Honorable Alan J. Dixon, Senator from Illinois, Washington, D. C.;

The Honorable Phil Gramm, Senator from Texas, Washington, D. C.;

The Honorable Norman D. Dicks, Representative from Washington, Washington, D. C.;

The Honorable Charles Wilson, Representative from Texas, Washington, D. C.;

[redacted] British Aerospace, Incorporated, Herndon, Virginia;

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John J. Welch, Jr., Assistant Secretary of the Air Force,
Acquisition, Washington, D. C.;

William French Smith, attorney, Gibson, Dunn, and
Crutcher, Los Angeles, California;

Gordon Luce, Chairman of the Board, Great American First
Savings Bank, San Diego, California; and

H. R. "Bum" Bright, Chairman of the Board, Bright Banc,
Dallas, Texas.

Credit and Arrest Checks

A review of appropriate credit records revealed either no
record or no pertinent information concerning Senator Tower,
except the following:

A check of the records of the Credit Bureau,
Incorporated, Silver Spring, Maryland,
disclosed an account with Garfinkel's,
Washington, D. C., listed as a bad debt/placed
for collection, and an account with Neiman
Marcus, Dallas, Texas, listed as dispute-
resolution pending.

Records of Garfinkel's, Washington, D. C.,
disclosed account number 90328116 in the amount
of \$197.17 was charged off as a bad debt in
November, 1984. The account has since been
paid in full (date of satisfaction not
indicated).

Records of Neiman Marcus, Dallas, Texas,
disclosed account number 713566727 was in
dispute (amount not listed), but had been
resolved in November, 1988. The account
balance is currently zero.

Information has been received from appropriate law
enforcement agencies indicating their files contain no record
concerning Senator Tower.

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Miscellaneous

A search of NEXIS, a computerized news retrieval service, disclosed approximately 9,000 articles relating to Senator Tower. A search of major newspaper morgues in the State of Texas disclosed approximately 4,000 articles relating to Senator Tower. Numerous articles related to allegations of sexual indiscretions, alcohol abuse, and conflict of interest against Senator Tower. Several articles also criticized his use of campaign contributions which remained after he retired from the Senate in 1985. As contained in the Interviews, Issues, and Agency Checks portions of this summary memorandum, these issues were addressed during the course of this investigation.

During the course of a routine interview of Senator Tower in Dallas, Texas on December 3, 1988, the results of which are incorporated in this summary memorandum, Senator Tower advised that he was aware of various newspaper articles, relating to the above mentioned allegations. He denied any current or previous alcohol abuse. Senator Tower added that articles alluding to marital infidelity on his part were based upon interrogatories submitted during the course of his divorce from Lilla Cummings Tower, and were totally false. Concerning his use of campaign contributions after he chose not to run for reelection, Senator Tower advised that he has made an accounting to the Federal Election Commission and the Internal Revenue Service regarding the expending of these funds. Senator Tower's interview (Page 20, INFRA) references a letter dated January 25, 1985 from the Senate Ethics Committee, which sets forth two tests to avoid the violation of "personal use"

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rules relating to the spending of these funds, copies of which are attached.

Senator Tower also advised that his current business associations listed on his Standard Form 86 would be a conflict of interest if he were to be named Secretary of Defense, or employed by the Department of Defense. He stated he intends to resign from all of those associations if and when he is appointed to or employed by the United States Government again. Senator Tower is not aware of any past associations which involved or could have involved conflict of interest allegations.

During that interview on December 3, 1988, Senator Tower advised that in December, 1985, he and his former wife, Lilla Cummings Tower, consulted a marriage counselor.

[redacted] Dallas, Texas, advised that he counseled Senator Tower regarding specific problems in his marriage on two to four occasions several years ago. He could not recall the exact dates of the counseling. [redacted] was not made aware of any drug use or alcohol abuse on the part of Senator Tower, and it was his impression that Senator Tower was able to function very well under stressful situations.

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Issues

1. Senator Tower's alleged marital infidelities/sexual indiscretions:

The following individuals were interviewed in an attempt to resolve allegations that Senator Tower, while a United States strategic arms negotiator in Geneva, Switzerland, engaged in a sexual liaison with a foreign national:

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[redacted] advised he knew of the rumor concerning the above allegations, but recollected that the alleged sexual liaison was with a member of the U. S. delegation, and not a foreign national. He could provide no further information concerning the allegations.

[redacted] stated he recalled seeing a communication regarding the above allegations, but that his office did not conduct any investigation regarding it. He did not recall what type of communication contained the allegations or their exact content.

[redacted] also recalled seeing a communication, possibly a memorandum, regarding the above allegations. He believed the memorandum addressed the issue of Senator Tower's alleged "drinking and philandering." His only recollection of an incident involving Senator Tower was related to a case involving a former Air Force [redacted] and [redacted] (A review of the Office of Special Investigations (OSI), United States Air Force (USAF), investigation concerning that case revealed that the only reference to Senator Tower was a character reference letter which he wrote on behalf of the Air Force Colonel under investigation.)

[redacted] advised he was aware of the allegations against Senator Tower, stating it was common knowledge at the U. S. Mission in Geneva that Senator Tower was involved with a Soviet woman who was a member of the Soviet delegation working on the START negotiations. He added, however, that the ACDA did not conduct any investigation regarding this matter.

[redacted] special agent, recalled hearing allegations regarding Senator Tower as a result of an investigation conducted by the OSI, USAF, involving an USAF [redacted] assigned to the Geneva delegation. [redacted] could not recall the nature of those allegations.

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[redacted] were contacted and were unable to locate any cables concerning any allegations of improprieties raised against Senator Tower..

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[redacted] advised that he was [redacted] during the [redacted] time frame. He was aware of a rumor that Senator Tower had a "roving eye", but he never saw any evidence of any improprieties or sexual activities involving him. [redacted] knew of a rumor that Senator Tower may have been dating an American woman, but he could not be specific as to whom that woman was. He advised that the only mention of a foreign national with whom Senator Tower may have had a relationship was a [redacted] at the United States Mission in Geneva, Switzerland. However, [redacted] advised he would seriously doubt that Senator Tower would have any kind of inappropriate relationship with her.

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[redacted] advised that at no time was he aware of any investigation conducted by any agency, investigative or otherwise, regarding the above allegations. He added that no written communications addressing the allegations were ever brought to his attention: however, [redacted]

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[redacted] stated that at the time of his association with Senator Tower in Geneva, Switzerland, as an arms control negotiator, he never noted any improper or indiscreet sexual behavior by Senator Tower. He had no knowledge of Senator Tower's alleged relationship with any [redacted]

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See the Interviews section of this summary memorandum for additional comments concerning this issue.

2. Senator Tower's alleged excessive consumption of alcohol:

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All individuals interviewed during the course of this investigation were specifically queried as to their knowledge of Senator Tower's consumption of alcohol. As reported under the Interviews section of this summary memorandum, only one individual commented that he/she believes Senator Tower to be an alcoholic. No other individuals interviewed believe Senator Tower to abuse alcohol.

[redacted] attorney, [redacted] Dallas, Texas, advised he has known Senator Tower since the 1950's, and [redacted] SMU, Dallas, Texas, advised he has known Senator Tower since 1937-1938. Both individuals commented that they were aware that in the 1970's, Senator Tower was a heavy drinker. However, neither man believed Senator Tower ever lost control of his faculties, or ever discussed classified information while under the influence of alcohol. Both individual's recommended Senator Tower for a position of trust and responsibility. b6 b7C

[redacted] and currently a partner in the law firm of [redacted] [redacted] Huntsville, Tennessee, stated he has known Senator Tower since 1961. He stated the Senator Tower enjoyed a distinguished career in the Senate, and is universally respected. He has known Senator Tower to drink heavily at times, but opined that Senator Tower came from an area where heavy drinking was accepted. [redacted] stated he never saw Senator Tower drink to the point where his judgment was impaired and advised, "to accuse John of having an alcohol problem is ludicrous." He highly recommended Senator Tower for a position of trust and responsibility.

3. Disbursement of Campaign Contributions Remaining after Retirement from the United States Senate:

Investigation at the Federal Election Commission remains outstanding.

4. Current Status of "Ill Wind":

Former Senator Tower's name surfaced during the course of the FBI's "Ill Wind" investigation into fraud and bribery in the Department of Defense (DOD) procurement system. While not a subject of the investigation, evidence has been obtained indicating Senator Tower's association with several of "Illwind's" subjects.

"Illwind" has utilized a number of investigative techniques to gather evidence, including: court-ordered wiretaps, consensual monitoring, search warrants, and Federal grand jury

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subpoenas. As a result, Senator Tower's name has been associated with three principal issues:

1. Senator Tower's possible role in assisting a defense contractor's consultant in the restructuring of a congressional funding profile for a DOD program;
2. Senator Tower's receipt of monies from a businessman to allegedly assist in the resolution of the businessman's problems in fulfilling a DOD contract; and
3. Senator Tower's receipt of campaign contributions which may have been made in contravention of Federal election laws.

Issue 1:

This issue developed from an intercepted conversation between a defense consultant and a DOD contracting official in which the DOD contracting official indicated that a second consultant (who was not present at, nor a party to, the intercepted conversation) used Senator Tower's influence to reprogram DOD funds. The conversation does not identify the impacted DOD programs, nor does it identify the amount of funds involved, the time frame during which it allegedly occurred, or Senator Tower's motivation for providing assistance. The conversation indicates that Senator Tower's action resulted in the second consultant and the second consultant's client receiving a significant amount of money.

Senator Tower was not intercepted in this conversation. Senator Tower was interviewed and denied knowing the second consultant and stated that anyone who claimed to have manipulated him was not being truthful.

The second consultant was interviewed under a grant of limited immunity and claims to have met Senator Tower only once and that occasion was very brief. He denies having ever prevailed upon Senator Tower to affect any DOD programs. The second consultant admitted to having made two \$1,000 campaign contributions to Senator Tower (one in his name and one he made in the name of his girlfriend) which were verified by Federal Election Commission (FEC) records as having been made in June, 1983. However, the second consultant denied that this was a quid pro quo with Senator Tower, but he considered it to be a politically expedient thing to do because his client was urging its employees to make contributions.

The intercepted DOD contracting official was also interviewed. He maintained that the second consultant did brag about having Senator Tower reprogram funds, but the program, time

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frame, and amounts were never identified, and there was no indication Senator Tower did anything improper. He believes the second consultant was "puffing."

Issue #2:

This issue developed from an intercepted conversation between a defense consultant and a businessman. In that conversation, the businessman related that Senator Tower had assisted him in resolving problems which were being encountered on a Government contract. The businessman continued that it cost him money for this help. The conversation did not disclose the Government contract involved, the time frame, or the nature of the assistance rendered by Senator Tower.

Senator Tower was not intercepted in this conversation. Senator Tower was interviewed and advised that during 1986 or 1987 a former staff assistant to Senator Tower on the Senate Armed Services Committee (SASC) approached him on behalf of a client who was having difficulty obtaining sufficient quantities of a product. As a result, Senator Tower spoke to the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of a company that could assist that businessman, and the CEO agreed to supply the needed product. The businessman then paid the former staffer a finder's fee, and the former staffer then insisted that Senator Tower accept \$5,000 as a share of the finder's fee, which Senator Tower did.

The former staffer was interviewed, and he acknowledged that the businessman was seeking assistance in obtaining a sufficient quantity of a product necessary to fulfill a DOD contract. The former staffer attended a couple of luncheon meetings with the businessman and Senator Tower during which Senator Tower may have given advice to the businessman. Senator Tower may also have helped put the businessman in touch with another company for assistance. The former staffer received a consulting fee for arranging the meetings with Senator Tower. The former staffer split this fee "50/50" with Senator Tower, which he claimed was a customary practice when one consultant refers business to another. Senator Tower initially did not want to accept the fee, but the former staffer persuaded Senator Tower to accept two checks, each for \$2,500. According to the former staffer, these transactions took place after Senator Tower left the Government and began his consulting work. The former staffer is unaware of any other payments to Senator Tower in this matter.

The businessman who sought assistance from the former staffer was interviewed. He acknowledged contacting the former staffer for assistance in obtaining a line of credit for a DOD contract. The former staffer suggested contacting Senator Tower and giving Senator Tower "something" for his assistance.

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Subsequently, the businessman and the former staffer attended a luncheon with Senator Tower. (According to the businessman, this occurred after Senator Tower left the Senate, date unrecalled). The businessman is unaware of any action taken by Senator Tower concerning his problem other than to "open the door" to another company. However, he did arrange to pay Senator Tower \$5,000 by giving a check to the former staffer for payment to Senator Tower. The businessman denied ever giving anything else of value to Senator Tower except for occasional drinks and meals he purchased for Senator Tower as a friend. A review of FEC files failed to locate any record of campaign contributions by the businessman to Senator Tower.

Issue 3:

This issue developed from evidence obtained pursuant to search warrants and intercepted conversations. Evidence indicates that a former SASC staffer (not an appointee of Senator Tower) became a consultant for a variety of defense contractors. One defense contractor allegedly paid this former staffer/consultant \$3 million between 1981 and 1988 through various companies he owned or controlled, in return for the submission of fraudulent consultant reports. (This matter is being separately pursued in "Illwind.") The former staffer/consultant is alleged to have participated with the defense contractor's employees to launder these monies, convert them to personal use, make political campaign contributions, confer gratuities upon Congressmen, and charge them against defense contracts. A "budget" and "quota list" were recovered during a search which identified target amounts of contributions to Congressmen and identified the defense contractor's employees and consultants who were to be tasked to make particular contributions.

The "budget" recommended \$20,000 for contribution to Senator Tower. The "quota list" contained an entry for Senator Tower's 1984 campaign in the amount of \$10,000. The former staffer/consultant was listed for a \$1,000 contribution.

Review of FEC records determined that approximately \$4,500 was contributed to Senator Tower by the designated defense contractor's employees and consultants. However, there is no record that the former staffer/consultant contributed his designated \$1,000.

Senator Tower was interviewed. He believed that the former staffer/consultant had been a Democratic staffer and that he only vaguely remembered him. Regarding the "quota list," he advised that he did not know "how these guys network," but that it was not uncommon for individuals to attempt to raise money from within a certain industry or trade group. He also advised that such lists did not necessarily reflect actual donations made. He stated that

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in the area of fund raising, it was not unusual for someone to say that he wanted to raise a certain amount of money and then to come back with that amount in checks of \$1,000 or less from some group of individuals. However, such a group of checks would normally go to his finance chairman, who was not a Government employee. By way of example, he explained that in his 1978 campaign, he received numerous individual and Political Action Committee contributions, but it was not his policy to attempt to go behind the information on the face of the campaign contribution check to determine the source of the funds. He stated he lacked the staff and resources to do so.

When asked about those "quota list" contributions that appeared on the FEC's records, Senator Tower responded that he did not know some names, but one sounded familiar, although he couldn't place it. He commented that these contributions were very small when compared to the overall campaign fund.

Senator Tower noted that often contributions were given by companies competing for the same program, but he never kept a list in front of him which indicated who contributed to his campaign.

Senator Tower denied receiving any campaign contributions from corporations and stated that he never agreed to do anything in return for campaign contributions. He continued that he never promised anyone anything in return for anything and would say so under oath.

The former staffer/consultant was interviewed. He stated he was not aware of Senator Tower being influenced by any individuals or corporations regarding SASC decisions. He denied ever being solicited to give contributions to Senator Tower's campaign.

One of the "quota list" identified contributors was the second consultant (supra) who allegedly obtained Senator Tower's assistance in restructuring a funding profile for a DOD program. This second consultant acknowledged making two \$1,000 contributions to Senator Tower, one in his name and one in the name of his girlfriend. However, he denied any coercion to do so and indicated it was politically expedient to do this because his major defense contractor client did significant DOD business.

The "quota list" contributor's name which sounded familiar to Senator Tower was interviewed. He did not recall making a June, 1983, \$500 check payable to the "Tower for Senate Committee." He stated that, if indeed he had done so, it would have been at the instruction of a particular employee of the defense contractor. He indicated he would not have made such a

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contribution on his own. He also claimed that he would not have been reimbursed for the \$500 contribution.

In summary, no corroborating evidence has been developed which would indicate criminal culpability on the part of Senator Tower with regard to the articulated principal issues.

It should be noted that some pertinent "Illwind" subjects did not agree to talk to FBI investigators about Senator Tower, and it is unknown what information they might provide at a future date should they be subjected to criminal prosecution.

Investigative efforts continue regarding the obtaining of documentation to pinpoint the specific dates upon which Senator Tower received money for assisting the businessman.

To date, no credible evidence has been developed that Senator Tower has participated in or is knowledgeable of illegal activities associated with "Illwind." Inasmuch as this is an ongoing investigation, which will continue for an extended length of time, it is unknown as to what, if any, additional information pertaining to Senator Tower may be developed.

As of this time, it is the opinion of the United States Attorney who is personally overseeing the "Illwind" investigation that "as best as can be forecast, it is unlikely that the balance of Ill Wind investigation will unearth information reflecting adversely on Senator Tower's integrity."

Agency Checks

Information has been received from the following governmental agencies indicating their files contain either no record or no additional pertinent information concerning Senator Tower:

Texas Attorney General's Office;
Texas Secretary of States Office, Elections
Division;
Texas State Board of Insurance;
Texas State Banking Department;
National Collegiate Athletic Association;
Arms Control and Disarmament Agency;
Defense Contract Audit Agency;
Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation;
Federal Reserve Board;
Comptroller of the Currency;
Department of Education;
Naval Investigative Service;

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Office of Special Investigations,
United States Air Force;
Department of Defense;
Defense Industrial Security Clearance Office;
Defense Central Index of Investigations;
National Security Agency;
Office of Personnel Management;
Office of Professional Responsibility,
and appropriate
United States Attorneys,
Department of Justice;
United States Secret Service;
and the White House Office.

Information has been received from the Department of State indicating that a background investigation was conducted concerning Senator Tower in 1985 in connection with his position as a strategic arms negotiator.

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States Senate Committee on Ethics, advised on December 6, 1988 that the Committee's files are not open for review by the FBI or Senator Tower, and are not applicable under the Freedom of Information Act. He advised that, as a matter of public record, in July, 1977, Senator Tower was charged with "misuse of the Frank" and ordered to pay \$3.64. A review of the file by [REDACTED] disclosed no further charges against Senator Tower.

Records of the Secretary of the Senate, Office of Public Records, disclosed that Tower & Associates is registered as an current and active lobbyist for British Aerospace Incorporated; Hicks & Associates; LTV Defense and Space Company; Martin Marietta Corporation; Rockwell International; and Textron, Incorporated. The record also disclosed an inactive account for Tower & Associates of Jeford-McManus International, Incorporated. The dates of registration have not yet been determined.

During the course of this investigation, the following representatives of non-governmental agencies were contacted concerning Senator Tower, and provided the following comments:

[REDACTED] National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), Dallas, Texas, advised that he has no personal knowledge of Senator Tower, except for that which has been documented in public records. He advised that the NAACP, Southwest Region, would not be able to recommend Senator Tower, noting that it is their opinion that the Senator has a bad civil rights voting record.

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Althea Simmons, Director and Chief Lobbyist for the NAACP, Washington, D. C., advised she is not in a position to make a recommendation concerning Senator Tower.

[redacted] Leadership Conference on Civil Rights; [redacted] National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives; [redacted] Vice President, National Urban League; and [redacted] Washington Urban League, all of Washington, D. C., advised they do not know Senator Tower.

[redacted] Heritage Foundation, and [redacted] American Security Council, both of Washington, D. C., commented favorably concerning Senator Tower.

Numerous efforts to contact a representative of Common Cause, Washington, D. C., were unsuccessful.

Searches of the various indices of the FBI, including but not limited to the central index maintained at FBI Headquarters, the index of the Identification Division, the indices of all field offices and other appropriate computer data bases, did not identify any documents that contain pertinent information identifiable with Senator Senator Tower or his close relatives, except the following:

Senator Tower was the subject of a background investigation* completed by the FBI in October, 1987, in connection with his appointment to the President's Foreign Intelligence Advisory Board.

It should be noted that the currency of the data input into the various indices can vary from days to even months from the date of the document as a result of existing clerical backlogs throughout the FBI.

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Tower, Bentsen Deny Illegal Oil Firm Gifts

By J. JOE THORNTON

Star-Tribune Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON — Two U.S. Senators from Texas, Lloyd Bentsen and Don Tower, have denied charges that they

had acting effectiveness president of the American Petroleum Gas Association, Edwin Rothschild, yesterday afternoon said in a statement that "a majority of the senators who voted for natural gas deregulation were recipients of illegal campaign contributions from major oil companies."

"Under these circumstances, a cloud is cast as to whether these contribution may have influenced their votes."

The statement names 25 senators, both Democrats and Republicans.

Bentsen is named as having been given an allegedly unlawful contribution by Gulf Oil Corp.

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... .. news secretary for Bentsen, said of Rothschild's charge, "It's not true. We have never received any illegal contributions."

Tower's news secretary, Mike Kelly, said Tower has "never knowingly taken an illegal contribution."

Rothschild said the APGA is made up of about 200 municipal, county-owned gas distributors, located primarily in Alabama, Tennessee, Iowa and Minnesota. There is one member-town from Texas, he said, "but it's a small town and I don't remember the name."

Earlier this month, Texas Atty. Gen. John Hill filed suit in district court, seeking damages totaling \$1.4 million from Gulf and Phillips.

Hill estimated this is three times the amounts given Texas politicians between 1960 and 1974.

Rothschild's statement does not specify how much either Tower or Bentsen allegedly received.

The charge comes months after the Senate voted to deregulate production of natural gas and shortly before backers of the bill, including Bentsen, are to meet to decide whether to try to compromise their differences with a House-passed bill or to drop their efforts.

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Bank denies Tower's post behind loan

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By DAVE MONTGOMERY
Star-Telegram Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON The bank president who authorized a \$108,000 loan to Sen. John Tower said Tower was given favorable interest rates because he was a preferred customer and not because of his stature as chairman of a Senate banking subcommittee.

"We're a small bank hustling customers," said Joseph F. Lusk, president of the state-regulated Mercantile Bank in San Antonio. "I don't have time to deny any punches in Washington. That's for the big boys."

The loan was reported by Tower in his annual financial statement filed Thursday with the Senate secretary's office. Tower said the loan



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JOHN TOWER ... preferred customer

was used to finance the purchase of a drilling rig, but he offered no further details about the investment.

In his statement, Tower reported that the May 1981 loan was secured by a lease agreement on the drilling rig. Please see Bank on Page 2

Bank says Tower's post not behind cut-rate loan

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rig and was granted at a variable interest rate of 1 percent above the federal discount rate — a rate generally lower than what banks charge customers with the best credit.

Lusk, reached by phone Friday at his San Antonio residence, said Tower is a friend of the bank's owner, Lawrence Wood of Corpus Christi, requested the loan to finance what he thought was a good investment.

Lusk declined to offer details of the drilling rig purchase, saying that it was a confidential matter between the bank and Tower.

He said Tower had been a depositor at the bank for about two years before requesting the loan.

"We make loans to a lot of businessmen and congressmen," Lusk said. "They've all got to bank somewhere."

Lusk said Tower was offered a choice of fixed interest rates or several variations of "floating rates," which rise and fall according to market conditions.

He said Tower chose an interest rate tied to changes in the federal discount rate. On May 1, 1981, the discount rate was 13 percent, but a surcharge in effect at the time nudged it to 16 percent.

By comparison, the prime rate was 18 percent.

The prime rate topped out at 20.5 percent at the end of the month, but the discount rate rose only to 14 percent. Meanwhile, however, the Federal Reserve boosted the surcharge that the discount rate plus the surcharge was 18 percent at the month's end.

"It's hard to say whether it's a good deal or a bad deal," Lusk explained. "The interest rates have been so wild lately."

He said the floating rates can be advantageous if interest rates re-

"We solicit everybody that we can. The owners of the bank solicits their friends and everybody else they know, and Mr. Tower is a friend."

— Joseph P. Lusk, San Antonio banker

main stable or drop but are risky if "you guess wrong" and rates increase.

Lusk described the transaction as "an arm's-length deal" that was no different than arrangements made for other choice customers seeking financing for business deals.

"Your better-rate deals are for better customers," Lusk said. "We have thousands of customers who ask to borrow money for different business ventures. This was no different."

Lusk denied that any special consideration was given to Tower because of his role as a senior member of the Senate banking committee and as chairman of its subcommittee on financial institutions.

"We solicit everybody that we can," Lusk said. "The owners of the bank solicit their friends and everybody else they know, and Mr. Tower is a friend."

Wood, the owner, asked Tower to place his deposits in the bank, Lusk said. Tower has an account at the bank that he valued in his report at between \$5,000 and \$15,000.

Before authorizing the loan, Lusk said, the bank conducted a credit check examining the background of the proposed investment, Tower's "credit stature" and other details. The loan was approved despite Tower's lack of significant financial assets.

"We thought the idea was a good one," Lusk said. If Tower defaults, Lusk said "we'll come after him just like anybody else."

The investment in the drilling rig altered Tower's reputation as one of the power members of the Senate. Tower's major sources of income are limited to his Senate salary and speaking fees.

On his latest report, Tower reported \$26,480 in speaking fees and \$15,000 to \$50,000 in rental income from leasing the drilling rig.

Tower's involvement in the rig lease, which presumably involves partners because of the high cost of drilling equipment, paralleled energy-related business ventures involving his wife, Lilla.

In her financial statement that she filed last year as newly appointed director of the Institute of Museum Services, Mrs. Tower reported holdings in "oil, gas and mineral interests" in leasehold estates in Texas and Louisiana.

She also reported debts of between \$10,000 to \$15,000 to Medders Oil Co. in Wichita Falls, Towers' hometown. Tom Medders Jr., who heads the oil company, declined to comment when contacted by a reporter Friday.

In contrast to her husband, Mrs. Tower, a former Washington attorney, reported holdings of at least \$743,000 and perhaps as much as \$1.8 million in the financial disclosure filed last August with the Office of Personnel and Management.

Since the couple's marriage in 1977, Tower has explained in each of his annual finance statements that he has no involvement in his wife's financial assets.

Rep. Chappell's Backdoor Move

Foreign Aircraft Firms Benefit

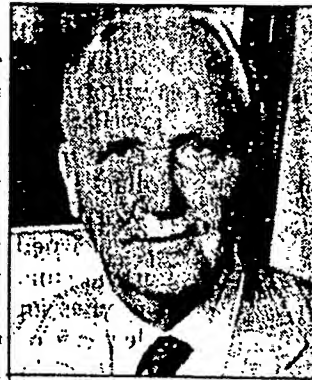
BY GREG RUSHFORD

Few members of Congress who voted for final passage of the massive 1988 spending bill knew that the potential beneficiaries of an obscure multimillion dollar aircraft program were three foreign companies. And the legislators certainly had no idea American aircraft companies that had wanted to bid had been deliberately excluded.

But Rep. Bill Chappell Jr. (D-Fla.), the feisty and powerful chairman of the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Defense, did know.

It was Chappell who was mainly responsible for language buried deep in the 1,053-page bill, inserted without public debate, that potentially translates into a \$100 million windfall for one of three firms from Great Britain, Israel, or Canada.

Chappell, a 20-year veteran of the House known for his staunch support of military spending, defends his actions on grounds of national security. He argues that the aircraft



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Chappell Move Means Windfall for Foreign Aircraft Firms

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produced by the foreign companies who qualify to bid under his language are better suited for their mission.

"I don't care who gets the contract," says the 66-year-old Democrat. "If I feel something is good for this country, I'm a fighter and I will fight for it."

Air Force Undersecretary James McGovern, who has met with Chappell, says through a spokesman that at no time did Chappell "even hint that he had a preference for who would be awarded the contract."

But a number of critics, including Air Force officials responsible for the program, describe Chappell's move as another example of the congressional budget process gone awry.

"This is a sneak trick designed to avoid the normal budget process in the hope nobody will ask questions," says one key congressional aide.

Says one indignant Air Force official: "I never thought I'd see the day when a U.S. congressman deliberately kept American companies away from a defense contract in favor of foreign interests."

Fueling the Budgetary Fire

The controversy over Chappell's aircraft program is yet another offshoot of the growing debate over the congressional budget process. A number of last-minute additions to the continuing resolution, critics contend, would never have survived more open and deliberative treatment. Sen. Edward Kennedy (D-Mass.) has drawn fire for his amendment forcing Rupert Murdoch to sell some media properties, while Sen. Daniel Inouye (D-Hawaii) has had to explain his sponsorship of an \$8 million amendment to fund a school for Jewish refugees in France.

The controversial appropriation for the foreign aircraft bidders pushed by Chappell occupies less than one page of subcommittee testimony; yet, millions of dollars are at stake. In September, Congress rejected a backdoor method to fund the program, and the Air Force itself is lukewarm at best about the project.

Against this backdrop, critics are wondering why Chappell has been moved to intervene so aggressively.

Chappell acknowledges that he has met with officials from two of the three foreign bidders, British Aerospace Inc. and Canadair Inc. But he flatly rejects any insinuation that he is responding to the special pleading of an interested party.

Lobbying on the aircraft program has been nearly invisible. Spokesmen for all three foreign manufacturers deny that they lobbied Chappell or anyone else.

But Chappell says he met with Charles Gray, director of government relations for Canadair, a Montreal-based aircraft manufacturer and a potential recipient of Chappell's largess. Chappell describes Gray, a retired Air Force officer, as "a friend." Gray says he told Chappell that the program "deserves the committee's support."

Chappell offers, "I talked to the presi-

dent of British Aerospace when I was in London—what's his name?" Sir Edward Hanson is president of British Aerospace.

One powerful former official may have played a behind-the-scenes role in the controversy. According to two Senate aides, former Sen. John Tower (R-Texas), who once chaired the Armed Services Committee, has made calls on behalf of British Aerospace and a subcontractor, the Dallas-based LTV Corp. Tower, now an aerospace consultant in Washington, is a British Aerospace director and an LTV consultant.

Tower, who is not registered as a British Aerospace lobbyist or agent, declined repeated requests for comment. Two Senate sources say that Tower has placed calls on the issue to Air Force Undersecretary James McGovern, who directed the staff when Tower chaired the Armed Services Committee, and to Arnold Punaro, now the committee's staff director.

Punaro could not be reached for comment. Chappell says he does not recall talking with Tower about the aircraft program.

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Limiting the Bidding

Chappell's initiative would replace six aging executive-type "flight inspection" jets that have been in the inventory for more than 20 years. Four are Lockheed Jet Stars, now out of production, while two are Sabreliners, first built in the 1950s by the predecessor to Rockwell International. The small jets have been based in Europe and Japan and contain a sophisticated inertial navigation system.

"Essentially, in case of a combat-type crisis," explains one Air Force Reserve pilot, "they fly ahead to check the ground instrumentation landing systems to ensure it is safe to land."

Chappell's provision requires the Air Force to award the contract for replacement flight-inspection planes, known as C-FINs, to aircraft that can fly at least 2,400 nautical miles.

This seemingly innocuous language essentially limited the bidding to three firms: British Aerospace, Israel Aircraft Industries, and Canadair. Large domestic com-

panies, including the Cessna Corp., the Gates Learjet Corp., and the Beech Aircraft Corp., are excluded because their aircraft fly shorter ranges.

Chappell says Air Force officials communicated to him that the longer-range aircraft was desirable. In fact, the Air Force in 1984 originally planned to replace the aging jets with 2,400-mile C-FINs. But in subsequent years, the Air Force officially sought the shorter-range jets.

"The C-FIN is a very important program that doesn't have much visibility," says Chappell. "I strongly feel it ought to be done."

Knowledgeable aircraft industry sources say the Cessna and Learjet aircraft are cheaper than their British and Canadian counterparts. The Israeli aircraft is comparably priced to the American planes, industry sources say.

"Cessna and Learjet at least, on their merits, should have been allowed to bid on C-FIN," asserts one knowledgeable Air Force official.



British Aerospace hopes its jet will win the \$100 million contract.

Through the Back Door

The Pentagon did not ask for C-FIN funding in its 1988 budget request. But the public record shows that Rep. Chappell, as his subcommittee considered the Air Force 1988 procurement budget, wanted to push C-FIN through a back door. If C-FIN was not in the regular budget, money for it could be found by reprogramming, or transferring, funds already appropriated for other military programs.

On March 12, 1987, Lt. Gen. Bernard Randolph, an Air Force deputy chief of staff for research, development and acquisition, had an exchange with Chappell that illustrates how the lawmaker was pushing for the longer-range, foreign aircraft.

"Now, we are still talking about a 2,400-mile-range aircraft?" Chappell asked. "Yes, sir," Randolph answered.

Chappell then drove home the point that the Air Force competition was only going to be open to the longer-range aircraft.

"I think congressional intent is clear on that 2,400 miles?" he asked. "Yes, sir," the general saluted. "No doubt in my mind."

Shortly after the March hearing, the Air Force—which earlier had approved an 1,850-mile-plus range for the C-FINs—requested a \$70 million reprogramming to buy 2,400-mile range C-FINs.

"When the Air Force issued its 2,400-mile range RFP [Request for Proposal]," says a Beech official, "we had to drop out." Gates Learjet and Cessna also quit the competition.

Gates Learjet officials would not take calls on C-FIN. A spokesman for General Dynamics Inc., the giant defense contractor that owns Cessna, says that the corporation decided "not to make a big fuss over this one program that might antagonize Congressman Chappell."

But Kansas-based Cessna did not go without a fight.

"Cessna exercised the rights of any constituent," says the General Dynamics spokesman, who confirms that the company alerted its home-state senator, Minority Leader Robert Dole.

Dole could not be reached for comment, but Senate sources credit him with inspiring last September's congressional action to kill the reprogramming request.

The Kansas senator complained about the 2,400 mile C-FIN requirement in letters to Sen. John Warner (R-Va.), the ranking Republican on the Armed Services Committee, and the committee chairman, Sen. Sam Nunn (D-Ga.).

"Nunn and Warner were cool to the way the C-FIN reprogramming was handled anyway, and Dole's letter gave them an excuse to kill it," says one key defense aide.

Dole also talked to the ranking Republican on the Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Defense, Sen. Ted Stevens (R-Ala.), who agreed not to support the reprogramming, according to congressional insiders.

The reprogramming died after Sept. 30 when the Senate Appropriations and Armed Services Committees failed to approve it before the fiscal year ended.



Sen. Robert Dole intervened for some Kansas-based companies.

'On Top of the Table'

But Chappell, combative as ever, was not ready to quit. He resurrected the reprogramming by inserting language in the year-end continuing resolution that Congress approved last Dec. 21.

Chappell says he is "very much opposed" to the practice of enacting omnibus year-end continuing resolutions. "I think it's the worst way we can legislate."

He says the committee did not intend to hide anything. "We try to put everything on top of the table," Chappell says.

The Air Force has not announced which of the three foreign bidders will be awarded the contract. The Air Force also has not said which defense program will lose the \$100-million that will be transferred for the C-FIN procurement. "Usually, we kind of hope we don't have \$100 million lying around that we can use to buy corporate jets," says one official with a trace of sarcasm.

Although the firms now destined to win the C-FIN contract are all foreign, some American firms will also benefit since they serve as subcontractors to the foreign companies.

For example, both Canadair and Israel Aircraft Industries use Garrett engines, which are built by Arizona-based Garrett Aerospace, a division of Allied-Signal. Accordingly, Garrett and C-FIN have the support of both Arizona senators, Republican John McCain and Democrat Dennis DeConcini, who recently wrote letters to Air Force Undersecretary McGovern supporting Chappell's provision.

Although Chappell says he is unaware of it, his stance on C-FIN appears to have done little to harm his political fortunes in the eyes of hopeful C-FIN subcontractors.

According to Federal Election Commission records, several American defense contractors who hope to be C-FIN subcontractors have supported Chappell's 1988 re-election campaign. They include: Allied-Signal PAC, \$1,000; the LTV Corp., \$2,000; the General Electric Co., \$1,500. Also contributing are loser Beech Aircraft, \$1,000; and Cessna's parent corporation, General Dynamics, \$1,000.

Chappell says anyone who thinks he is doing a good job in Congress is free to make campaign contributions, but he warns that they have no influence on his policies.

He is interested in C-FIN, he says, "because of the taxpayers of this country and for no other reason." []

Tower: Too Hot for Bush to Handle?

His Personal Problems
May Cost Ex-Senator
Post of Defense Chief

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WASHINGTON — Former Sen. John G. Tower of Texas, the leading contender to be the next secretary of defense, could prove to be a controversial choice because of lingering questions over his personal life and finances.

Advisers to President-elect George Bush reportedly are pushing an alternative list of candidates with Mr. Bush, including a Pittsburgh industrialist and former Defense Secretaries Donald H. Rumsfeld and James R. Schlesinger.

In addition to his personal problems, some Republicans believe Mr. Tower may have too strong an alliance with the military at a time when defense spending must be cut back. Mr. Tower was a leading proponent of the Reagan arms buildup when he served as chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee.

And there is the apprehension that a Tower confirmation hearing would open the door to more questions about Mr. Bush's role in the Iran-contra affair. Mr. Tower served as chairman of the presidential commission that investigated the scandal. The Tower Commission report shied away from directly criticizing the vice president and concluded that Mr. Bush's role in the episode was "passive."

Mr. Tower has been dogged with rumors about his personal life since a bitter divorce last year.

In a divorce petition filed in Washington, Lilla Burt Cummings Tower accused Mr. Tower, 63, of "marital misconduct." She requested depositions from three women, including a Texas socialite, a Dallas television personality and a maid hired by the couple in Geneva, Switzerland, where Mr. Tower was a member of President Reagan's strategic arms negotiation team.

Mr. Tower was granted an uncontested divorce in September 1987. Although District of Columbia Superior Court records do not disclose the details of the settlement, Mr. Tower reportedly agreed to pay alimony and withdraw his claim for a share of his wife's property, which Mr. Tower had estimated at \$2 million.

The Towers married in 1977 and separated in 1980. It was his second marriage, her third.

"Mr. Tower's marital misconduct is directly relevant to the division of property," Mrs. Tower's attorneys told the District of Columbia court last year.

In preparation for trial, Mrs. Tower's lawyers served notice that they would seek the names of all the women Mr. Tower allegedly socialized with outside his marriage "and the women with whom you spent the night or any portion thereof."

Mrs. Tower also requested detailed financial information from her ex-husband and that included his clothing, dresses and travel. Mr. Tower, usually attired in British-made Savile Row suits, long has had the reputation of being one of the best-dressed men in Washington.

He already had drawn criticism for spending nearly \$500,000 in leftover campaign contributions after he shocked supporters and retired from the Senate in 1983.

According to reports filed with the Federal Election Commission, Mr. Tower used some of the funds for personal air travel.



Sen. John G. Tower, with his wife, Lilla, announces in 1983 that he will not seek re-election. Personal problems brought out in his divorce may rule out his assuming the post of defense secretary.

John Goodwin Tower

Born: Houston, Sept. 20, 1923

Career: Assistant professor of political science at Midwestern State University, Wichita Falls, Texas, 1961-63; U.S. senator from Texas, 1961-65, chairman Armed Services Committee, member of Budget Committee and Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs Committee, chairman of Senate Republican policy committee; U.S. negotiator on strategic nuclear arms at Negotiations on Nuclear and Space Arms, Geneva, 1965-66; distinguished lecturer of political science, Southern Methodist University, Dallas, 1966-present; chairman Iran-contra Commission, 1987; board of directors Pergamon-Brassey's International Defense Publications Inc., Astrotech International Inc., British Aerospace Inc., Gray & Co.; trustee, Southern Methodist University, Southwestern University.

banquets, expensive gifts and contributions to his college alma mater and favored candidates.

Nearly two years after he left the Senate, supporters of Mr. Tower spent \$1,645 in leftover campaign money one afternoon for a luncheon at the fashionable Mansion on Turtle Creek restaurant in Dallas. Later they paid \$1,104 for lunch at The Monocle restaurant on Capitol Hill, the records show.

Mr. Tower also made a \$100,000 contribution from the campaign funds to Southwestern University in Georgetown, Texas, for a library in his name.

The expenses were legal under a grandfather clause in the election laws that permits members of Congress elected before 1980 to use campaign funds for personal expenses.

While Mr. Tower's marital affairs and clothing tastes would not normally be the target of questioning at a confirmation hearing, combined with other concerns they would inject controversy into one of the president-elect's most important appointments, some observers believe.

The first Republican senator from Texas since Reconstruction, Mr. Tower won a special election to replace Lyndon B. Johnson in 1961. He was re-elected in 1966, 1972 and 1978. He expressed interest in being secretary of defense under President Reagan but was passed over for Caspar W. Weinberger. For the past year, Mr. Tower has worked closely with the Bush campaign as a defense policy adviser.

Now, with the Pentagon buckling orders to trim \$250 billion from its fiscal 1988-93 five-year defense plan, Mr. Tower's identification with bullish defense spending might cause concern in Congress.

John Tower is not beloved on Capitol Hill, but he does have secure connections there, said a senior Pentagon official who could expect to stay on during a Tower secretariatship. "He's one of the club. The question is whether that's enough."

Secretary of State-designate James A. Baker III has denied published reports that he is one of the Bush team opposed to Mr. Tower. Still, rumors persist at the

Pentagon that alternative nominees are being sounded out and urged on the president-elect.

Other suggestions include Mr. Schlesinger and Mr. Rumsfeld, both secretaries of defense under President Gerald R. Ford; former National Security Adviser Brent Scowcroft; Paul H. O'Neill of Pittsburgh, board chairman and chief executive officer of Aluminum Company of America (Alcoa); current Defense Secretary Frank C. Carlucci; and retired Alabama Rep. Jack Edwards, co-chairman of the Pentagon's Commission on Base Realignment and Closure.

Senior military officers are known to eye Mr. O'Neill with special caution. A deputy director of the Office of Management and Budget under Mr. Ford, the Alcoa chief has a reputation as a tight-fisted manager. Since Robert S. McNamara attempted to install corporate thinking in the Pentagon in 1961, military leaders have shied away from leaders of big business.

Mr. Carlucci, although popular with Congress and Mr. Bush, is not believed to be interested in staying on with the new administration. After a lifetime in government, Mr. Carlucci was president of Sears World Trade Inc., a subsidiary of Sears, Roebuck Inc., when President Reagan tapped him to be national security adviser and later secretary of defense.

"He absolutely lights up when he talks about his time as a chief executive," a Pentagon associate said. "He said the experience enlivened him, and he wants to go back."

Mr. Schlesinger has held positions in three administrations, but never an elective office. A man who describes himself as a "moderately conservative Nilkow," Mr. Schlesinger first came to Washington in President Richard M. Nixon's budget office. Later, President Jimmy Carter appointed him as the nation's first secretary of energy.

Mr. Schlesinger is not remembered kindly at the Pentagon. "Basically, he hates people," said a current senior Pentagon official. "He was most comfortable discussing nuclear strategy."

Mr. Rumsfeld succeeded Mr. Schlesinger at the Pentagon.